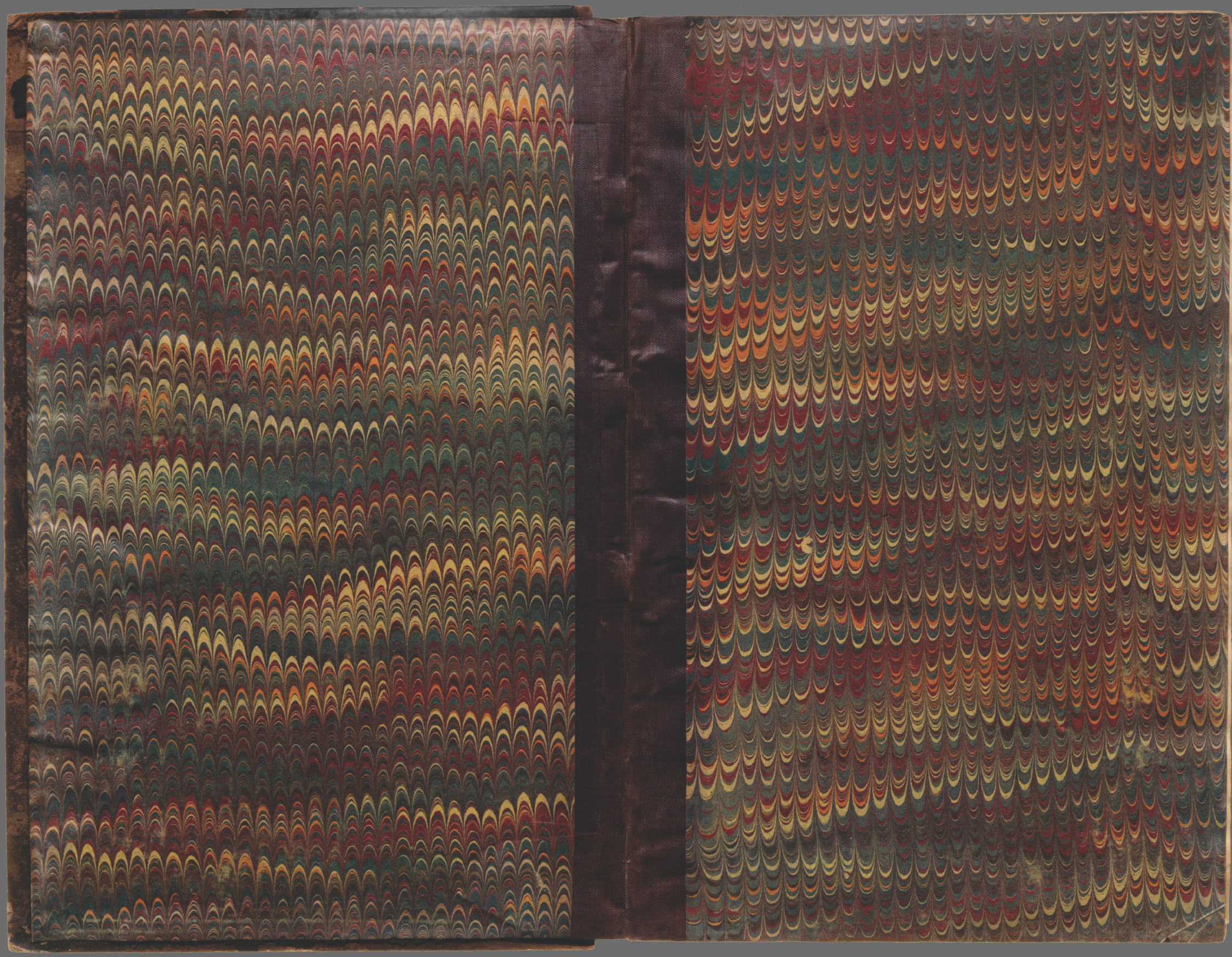

Board of Trustees Minutes, 13 December 1869 – 5 October 1874. VOLUME 3. Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco.

Mechanics'
Institute

Hollman +
Davis X + +
~~Rhodes~~ ++ +
Kerr ++ ++ 1
Kibbe ++ ++ 1
Steiger +++++
Chapman + + ++
Brunner ++ + 1
Ewing +
Hoppe + ++
Hansam + ++ + 1
Spaulding +
Moffitt + + +
Williams

Board of Trustees Minutes, 13 December 1869 – 5 October 1874. VOLUME 3. Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco.

Minutes of the Meetings

of the

Board of Trustees

and

Records of the Proceedings

of the

Mechanics' Institute

From

Dec. 13th 1869

Board of Trustees Minutes, 13 December 1869 – 5 October 1874. VOLUME 3. Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco.

Dec.r 13th 1869

Preliminary Meeting of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Dec.r 13th 1869

Mr. Prest. Hallidie in the chair

Absent: Messrs. Browning, Gilmore, Hancock, Pease

Chairman Pro tem — Upon motion Mr. Hallidie was elected temporary chairman

Sec.t Pro-tem — Upon motion Mr. Pardy was elected temporary Secretary

Petition to Bd Supervisors to extend lease — A petition to the Board of Supervisors praying for an extension of the lease of Union square for two years longer, was read by Mr. Davis, who recommended its adoption and presentation as addressed;

Upon motion of Mr. Herrick, the petition was adopted as read, and referred back to Mr. Davis with instructions to present the same to the Board of Supervisors at their next regular meeting:

Adjourned — The meeting then adjourned and went into Committee of the whole to consider a new Constitution:

George Pardy
temporary Secretary

Dec^r 14^th 1869

Adjourned Preliminary Meeting

Rooms of the Institute
Dec^r 14^th 1869

Hon^r Pres^t Hallidie in the chair pro tem:

Roll Call — Absent: Mess^rs Wilcox, Browning, Davis, Herrick, Hancock:

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting Dec^r 13^th were read and approved

Committee report "New Constitution" — The Committee of the whole then reported the following with a recommendation that it be adopted as the Constitution of the Mechanics' Institute

ARTICLE I.—*Name.*

The corporate name and title of this Association shall be "MECHANICS' INSTITUTE."

ARTICLE II.—*Location.*

The location of this Association shall be in the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

ARTICLE III.—*Object.*

The designs and objects of this Association are to cultivate a social feeling of friendship and the mutual improvement of its members; the dissemination of information and useful knowledge by the establishment of a Library of circulation and reference, a Museum and Reading Room, the formation of classes and delivery of lectures for tuition, the collection of a Cabinet, scientific apparatus, works of art, the purchase of property and erection of buildings for the requirements of the Institute and for any scientific, mechanical, and literary purpose.

ARTICLE IV.—*Term of Existence.*

The term of existence of this Association shall be fifty years from and after the filing of this certificate.

ARTICLE V.—*Trustees.*

A. S. Hallidie, Joseph R. Wilcox, Henry L. Davis, John H. Gilmore, George Pardy, David R. Coleman, William C. Pease, Henry C. Macy, W. W. Hanscom, H. P. Herrick, John Hancock, Jacob Browning, I. M. Scott and Joseph Britton shall be the first Board of Trustees, and shall serve for the term of six months.

ARTICLE VI.—*Property.*

No shares of stock nor any individual right in the property of this Association shall exist or be acquired during the existence of the Association, but the property belonging to, and in the name of the Mechanics' Institute, shall be held in trust by the Trustees for this Association, and never be diverted from the purposes and intention for which it is organized.

ARTICLE VII.—*Administration.*

SEC. 1. The affairs of the Association shall be administered by a Board of fourteen Trustees, who shall be residents of the City and County of San Francisco, seven of whom shall be elected annually, by the members, on the first Monday in June, to serve two years.

SEC. 2. On the first Thursday following election, the Board of Trustees shall elect, by ballot, from their number, a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary. Plurality of votes shall elect.

SEC. 3. The Association shall have a Seal, the device being a circular legend, consisting of the words, "Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco, 1855, California," (letters and figures being reversed) enclosing a design consisting of a shield bearing a bee-hive, above which is a plumb-line and leveler crossed, surmounted by compass, square and rule intertwined; at left of shield is an anvil with hammer resting against it; at the right an anchor projects its flukes from behind shield; at each side, above shield, is a cornucopia turned down; above the shield is a pair of scales in true balance, the bowls of the scales supporting ends of scroll bearing motto, "Be Just and Fear Not;" in the middle, above scroll, is a bent arm holding hammer in hand, the forearm crossing beam of scales.

SEC. 4. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board. In case of his absence or inability from any cause, the Vice President, or in absence of both, the Board of Trustees shall elect one of their number President *pro tem.* who for the time being shall exercise the full powers of President.

SEC. 5. The Board of Trustees shall fill all vacancies which may occur in its own body, subject to the approval of the Institute at its next meeting, and are authorized to create and appoint such officers or agents as they may think proper for the management of the Association, and the Board may adopt By-Laws and Regulations for the management of the affairs of the Association—change, alter or repeal the same—provided such By-Laws and Regulations are not inconsistent with the law of the State or these presents.

SEC. 6. The Board of Trustees are authorized to receive and hold in trust for the Association, such bequests, donations and endowments as may be proper for the furtherance of the objects of its organization, and to carry out the wish and intention of the donor, consistent with the corporate articles of the Association and laws of the State.

SEC. 7. In the administration of the affairs of the Association, the Board of Trustees shall be guided primarily by the following principles:

To preserve inviolate the integrity of the Mechanics' Institute. Devotion to progress in technical education and the economic industries. Diffusion of knowledge at the least expense to the seeker.

SEC. 8. For the transaction of business seven Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

Dec^r 14^th/69

ARTICLE VIII.—*Membership.*

SEC. 1. Any person of good character may become a full member of this Association, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees. 1st. By signing the Constitution and By-Laws. 2d. Paying an entrance fee of one dollar. 3d. Paying one dollar and fifty cents dues quarterly, in advance.

SEC. 2. Any non-resident person of good character and not objectionable to the Board of Trustees, can have the use of the Rooms of the Association on the payment of fifty cents per month in advance.

SEC. 3. As soon as the finances of the Association shall permit, the Board of Trustees shall make arrangements for a Reading Room, which shall be free to all persons of good moral character, and who shall be satisfactory to the Board of Trustees.

SEC. 4. Failure to pay dues for the space of six months shall be a forfeiture of membership.

SEC. 5. Persons otherwise eligible can become life members on payment of fifty dollars, which shall entitle them to all the privileges of membership and an exemption from all dues or assessments during their lives.

SEC. 6. All members in good standing of the Mechanics' Institute of the City of San Francisco are hereby declared members of the new organization under these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE IX.—*Election.*

SEC. 1. Election shall be by ballot and by such members as shall attend in person.

SEC. 2. Each member who shall have complied with Article VIII, Section 1, at least six months previous to such election, and who is not delinquent, shall be entitled to one vote in the election of Trustees.

SEC. 3. The election of Board of Trustees shall take place annually, on the first Monday in June of each year, and shall be held under the superintendence of three Judges selected from the members by the Board of Trustees for the time being. At least twenty days' notice shall be given of such elections in two of the daily city papers.

SEC. 4. In case the election of officers should not take place on the day fixed by the Constitution, it shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to give notice of an election to take place as soon thereafter as practicable, from the date of the day upon which the election should have been held; and in such case the officers of the Institute shall remain in office until such election is held and their successors are qualified.

SEC. 5. At the meeting of the Board of Trustees previous to the annual election, a committee of three shall be appointed by the Board, outside their own body, to qualify and install the officers elect; and it shall be the duty of this committee to see that all of the provisions of the Constitution relative to the election of officers are carried out, and to formally administer the following obligation to each officer elect, within two weeks following his election:

"I (or we) ..... having been duly elected Trustee of the Mechanics' Institute, do promise faithfully and honestly to perform the duties of said office, and to support and advance the best interests of the Association.

Signed this....day of....., 18..
In presence of

....
..... *Installing Committee.*
.....

The above obligation having been duly administered and signed, the party so signing, being otherwise qualified, shall be declared duly installed, and shall enter upon the performance of his duties immediately thereafter; and in the event of failure to qualify within the specified time, the office of the person so failing shall be declared vacant.

ARTICLE X.—*Vacancies.*

SEC. 1. Any vacancies occurring in the elected officers of the Institute, the Board of Trustees shall have power to fill the same, subject to the approval of the Institute at its next meeting.

ARTICLE XI.—*Officers.*

SEC. 1. The officers of this Institute shall be a President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary and Treasurer, to be elected annually by the Board of Trustees from its members.

SEC. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Institute and of the Board of Trustees, and preserve order, and in case of an equal division upon any question, shall give the casting vote.

SEC. 3. The President shall have the power to call special meetings of the Board of Trustees and of the Institute whenever he may deem it expedient.

SEC. 4. The President, at the expiration of his term of office, or oftener if so required by the Institute, shall make a written report of the general doings of the Institute and suggest such means as may seem to him best calculated to promote its prosperity.

SEC. 5. The Vice President shall preside and perform all the duties of the office of President in the absence or disqualification of that officer.

SEC. 6. The Corresponding Secretary shall be the organ of the Institute in its conference with other societies and the public. He shall make a record of all letters written by him in a book kept for such purpose. All letters or other communications addressed to or intended for the Institute he shall cause to have filed in a suitable place in the library room.

SEC. 7. The Recording Secretary shall affix his name to all the advertisements and notices emanating from the Board of Trustees of the Institute. He shall attend all meetings, and in the absence of the President and Vice President, shall call the same to order, and shall truly and at large record the proceedings of the Institute, together with the proceedings of the Board of Trustees, in books kept for that purpose.

SEC. 8. The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds of the Institute, (except the property and funds invested in the name of the Board of Trustees) subject to the order of a majority of the Board of Trustees, signed by the President and Recording Secretary. He shall make a monthly report, exhibiting in detail his receipts and disbursements, and the balance in the treasury, and, if invested, how. And for the better security of the trust confided to him, he shall give to the Board of Trustees a bond in the sum of three thousand dollars, with two sureties, to be approved of by the Board of Trustees, who shall have power to increase the bond as they may deem proper. He shall keep a regular account of the financial affairs of the Institute, an abstract of which, accompanied by satisfactory vouchers, he shall exhibit at each annual meeting. At the expiration of his term of office, or on resigning, or disqualification, he shall hand over to his successor all books, vouchers, moneys and papers of the Institute in his possession.

SEC. 9. The Board of Trustees shall be vested with full power to appropriate funds, enact By-Laws, and conduct the affairs of the Institute.

SEC. 10. The removal from this State of any officer, or the voluntary absence of a Trustee from three successive regular meetings of the Board, shall disqualify him from exercising the duties of his office, and shall be equivalent to a tender of his resignation.

ARTICLE XII.—*Meetings.*

SEC. 1. There shall be an annual meeting of the Institute on the first Thursday in June for the purpose of receiving the reports of the Board of Trustees, exhibiting the state of the Library, finances and property, and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented.

SEC. 2. At all the meetings of the Institute, at least fifteen members must be present for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. There shall be quarterly meetings of the Institute on the first Thursday in the months of September, December, March and June, at such hour as the Board of Trustees may designate.

SEC. 4. The President, at the request of the Board of Trustees or by the written request of ten members, stating the reason thereof, shall call a meeting of the Institute for transacting special business, giving three days' notice thereof in two daily city papers.

Dec^{r} 14th 69

ARTICLE XIII.—*Finances.*

SEC. 1. No debt shall be incurred by the officers or members of the Mechanics' Institute for any reason whatever, except to purchase land and erect buildings thereon for the use of the Institute.

SEC. 2. Ten *per centum* of the funds arising from dues, contributions, lectures and other sources not herein named shall be appropriated as a sinking fund and placed out at interest in a secure incorporated Savings Bank in the City of San Francisco, to be used—first, for paying the taxes on the property of the Association; second, for the reduction of the mortgage debt; third, as an accumulated fund, subject to the disposition of the members, as required by the Constitution. The remainder of the funds arising from dues, contributions, lectures and other sources not herein named, shall be appropriated as the Board of Trustees shall from time to time direct.

SEC. 3. All documents affecting the funds of the Institute must be authorized by a majority of the Trustees present at any meeting and signed by the President and Recording Secretary.

SEC. 4. Librarians and subordinate officers shall receive such compensation as the Trustees shall from time to time determine; but in no case shall they be appointed from the elected officers of the Institute.

SEC. 5. No pecuniary compensation shall be allowed members of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE XIV.—*Neglect of Official Duty.*

SEC. 1. In case of flagrant official misconduct or neglect of duty on the part of a member of the Board, the Trustees shall have power, by a vote of two-thirds of their members, to expel the offending member; from which action, however, an appeal shall be allowed at the next meeting of the Institute.

ARTICLE XV.—*Expulsions.*

SEC. 1. If any member shall wantonly create a disturbance at any meeting of the Institute, or devise or take part in any measure designedly to injure the Institute, or shall purposely deface the books, building, rooms or appurtenances thereof, he may be expelled and deprived of membership by the vote of those present at any meeting of the Board of Trustees, subject to an appeal to the Institute at the next meeting.

ARTICLE XVI.—*Alterations and Amendments.*

SEC. 1. This Constitution shall not be altered or amended unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting of the Mechanics' Institute, notice being given three months previously specifying the proposed amendment.

Adoption of "Constitution" Upon motion the foregoing was adopted by the unanimous vote of those present, as the Constitution to govern the Mechanics' Institute.

Election of Officers It was moved and seconded that the Secretary be instructed to cast the vote of the Trustees, for the following officers, to serve for six months:

A President
A Vice President
A Treasurer
A Corresponding Secretary
A Recording Secretary

The Secretary accordingly cast the vote in favor of the following named:

A. S. Hallidie	for President
Jos R. Wilcox	for Vice President
H. L. Davis	for Treasurer
P. H. Gilmore	for Corresponding Secretary
George Pardy	for Recording Secretary

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Recording Secretary

Dec^{r} 21st/69

Special Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Dec^{r} 21st 1869

Pr^{t} President Hallidie in the chair

Roll call Absent: Messrs Browning, Davis, Herrick, Hanscom and Scott.

Minutes Minutes of the meeting of old Board of Directors, Dec^{r} 7th were read and approved,
Minutes of the meetings of Board of Trustees of Dec^{r} 13th and 14th were read and approved.

Donation from Thos Houseworth & C^{o} A donation of Stereoscopic Views of late Fair was received from Messrs Thos Houseworth & C^{o} and the Secretary was instructed to tender the thanks of the Board to said firm for the handsome present.

Report of Com: Lib^{y} R. R. & B. The late Committee on Library, Reading Rooms and Building, presented a written Quarterly Report, stating in general terms the additions, improvements and repairs made in Building and amount of Cost of same, since date of last report
"Report ordered received and placed on file"

Report of Com: Books and Don^{s} The late Committee on Books and Donations through their Chairman Wm Hamack reported a list of Books (principally Reports) which he thought could probably be obtained without cost, upon application to the proper governmental department; And further: The Committee reported a recommendation to provide some suitable means for exhibiting Maps and Chart for reference, in or about the Library room
Ordered that the report be received and that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to make the necessary arrangements to procure the list of books as above reported.

Standing Committees to be appointed It was moved and seconded that "Four standing Committees" each to consist of three members, be appointed by the President as follows:

Committee on Ways, Means and accounts
" " Books and Donations
" " Library, Reading Room & Building
" " Lectures and Classes
"motion" carried"

Dec^{r} 21st/69

Special Meeting of Board (Continued)

Special Meeting to be called

moved and seconded that the President be instructed to call a special meeting of the Institute to ratify, Constitution, By-Laws etc

"Motion Carried"

Special Com: on By-Laws &c

moved and seconded that a Committee of three be appointed by the President to frame By-Laws, Rules of order etc: and to report the same for approval of the Board at their next regular meeting

"Motion Carried"

Mem^{o} By general consent this Committee was not appointed, the business being subsequently transacted by Committee of the whole

Mr Wm Westgate proposed as Janitor

moved and seconded that Mr William Westgate be appointed to act as Janitor to the Institute in addition to his acting as Watchman at the Pavilion, at a salary of 120^{00} per month in total

"Motion Lost"

An amendment offered and seconded placing the salary at 100^{00} per month in total for all services was also "Lost"

Institute to be Advertised

Mr Hancock moved and it was seconded, that the Recording Secretary be instructed to insert an advertisement once each week (Saturdays or Sundays) in four of the city papers, setting forth in general terms the plan of the Institute, and advantages offered to those who may become members

"Motion Carried" and so ordered

Delinquent Members

The Special Committee to whom had been refered the matter of Delinquent memberships reported progress, and asked further times.

"Further time granted"

Eastern Directories

By resolution the Secretary was authorized to procure and forward circulars to the publishers of Eastern Directories asking donations of their publications for the purpose of forming a collection to be placed in Library for public use and reference.

Adjourned

George Pardy
Rec: Secretary

Dec^{r} 28th/69

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
Dec^{r} 28th 1869

Mr Pres^{t} Halldie in the Chair

Roll Call

Absent: Mr Jacob Browning

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting of Dec^{r} 21st were read and approved

Prior's Bill

The Special Committee appointed to inquire into the matter of Mr J. K. Prior's Bill made a written report:

This report was ordered recommitted to the Committee with instructions to embody therein, an exact and circumstantial account of the manner in which the work was ordered, and other details in reference thereto, the whole to form a Complete account of the transaction;

Delinquent Members

The Special Committee appointed to consider and report upon the matter of Delinquent members, reported that they had ascertained the number and names of delinquent members, amounts delinquent etc, and otherwise proceeded in the business as far as they had deemed advisable, and asked further instructions:

It being thought unnecessary to engage the attention of the Committee further, upon motion the Committee was discharged:

Bills Audited

The acting Committee on Ways, Means and accounts, reported the following Bills approved, recommending the same be paid

Pacific Elastic Spring Co		41 75
Jennings and Garfield		15 00
C. L. Tilden		90 50
Noble and Gallagher		506 57
H. H. Moore		239 75
S. F. Bulletin Co	Advg meeting	2 50
A. P. Montagg	1 ton of Coal	16 00
Jas L. Field	Engrossing Petition to Supervisors &c	7 50
Bancroft & Co	Books	21 27
A. S. Halidie	Petty Cash	12 60
Roman & Co	Books	49 76
S. V. Water Wks	Water for	12 00
	Carry forward	$ 101 520

Decr 28th/69 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

		Carried forward	$1015 20
Bills Audtd.	Bancroft and Co	Books	31 22
	W. J. Canham	Painting Wardrobe &c	12 15
	Cubery and Co	Altering proof of Constitution	3 50
		Total	$106 207

Ordered that the foregoing Bills be paid in usual manner.

Prior's Bills not Paid — Two Bills of Mr J. K. Prior's were also audited but were not ordered paid, respectively for the amounts of $117.26 and $58.80

Nile and Durney Bill — Special Committee on matter of Nile and Durney's Bill reported having arranged to leave the matter to arbitration

Board goes into Comtee of whole — The Board here adjourned and went into Committee of the whole to consider the matter of new By-Laws, Rules of Order etc:

Board reassembles — Later the Board reassembled with the same members present

Coms of whole report — Committee of the whole reported progress in matter of forming By Laws Rules of Order etc

Next Meeting dated — Moved and seconded that when the Board adjourned it be until (next evening) Decr 29th 7½ o'clock P. M.
"Motion Carried"

Janitorship Vacant — Mr Macy moved and it was seconded, that the office of Janitor be declared vacant
Motion carried and so ordered

Janitor to be employed by Librarian — After some discussion pro and Con: as to the advisability of the Board electing or the Librarian appointing a Janitor to fill vacancy it was finally
Moved by Mr Britton and it was seconded that the Librarian be authorized and instructed to employ a Competent man to act as Janitor at a Salary not to exceed $60 per Month
"Motion Carried and so ordered"

Adjourned — Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

Decr 29th/69 — Adjourned Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Decr 29th 1869

Mr President Gallidie in the Chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Davis, Gilmore, Hancock, Pease, Wilcox;

Minutes — Minutes dispensed with

Committee of the whole — By resolution the Board went into Committee of the whole to consider the matter of framing By Laws, Rules of Order etc

By Laws &c — Later the Board reassembled with the same members present when the Committee of the whole asked leave to report a set of By-Laws, Rules of Orde etc on Tuesday evening Jany 11th 1870,
Leave granted accordingly

Adjourned — The Board then adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

Jan'y 4th/70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
Jan'y 4th 1870

Pres't Halledie in the Chair:

Roll Call — Absent: Mess'rs Browning, Herrick, Hancock, Hanscom Pease, Scott,

Minutes — Minutes of the two previous meetings of Dec'r 28th and 29th were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report — The Treasurers Report for the month of Dec'r was read and ordered referred to acting Committee on Ways, Means and accounts

Librarian's Report — The Librarian's Report for the month of Dec'r was read and ordered received and spread on the minutes, as follows:

Librarian's "December" Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen:

I have to report for the month of December as follows:

Received for initiation fees	26.00
" for Collections	805.75
" for Rents	530.00
	$1361.75

Eighteen new members have been initiated, viz: Gr Davidson James Bennett, Thornton Westley, Thomas Usher, Morritz Gallwitz, Thomas Noble, Geo'g Reynolds, Miss A. E. Dowling Michael Coghlan, Joseph Isaac, Edward M. Gallagher Edward Gallagher, David Barry, David Cruden, J. Lan-Pershing, J. M. Conner, Augustus Lewis, Robert W. Silvey: in all 18. Of these Mess'rs Augustus Lewis and R. W. Silvey paid but One Dollar, each, initiation fee according to the regulations lately established.

Two Certificates of Life Memberships have been delivered, in the past month, to Dr J. P. Whitney; one in his own name, the other in the name of Augusta C. Behrens, The price of these certificates, One Hundred Dollars,

Jan'y 4th/70

Librarian's Report — is to be deducted from a bill of books, sold to the Institute by Dr Whitney.

The following have with drawn from the Institute: A. C. Heister, H. G. Bloomer, B. P. Moore, N. P. Cole Edwin Hayden, B. A. Reynolds; in all 6, their dues for the present quarter remaining unpaid.

Mr M. M. Cook has paid up all dues to 1st March 1870 and wishes to transfer his membership, on that day to S. P. Cook.

There have been added to the Library by purchase in December, Eighty seven volumes, classified as follows: Fiction 59, Theology 2, Travel 2, Essays 2, Biography 5, History 3, Games 3, Art and Science 10, Poetry 1, in all 87.

Donations have been received:

From the Board of Supervisors:
San Francisco Municipal Reports for 1868-9

From the Superintendent of Public Schools:
Fifteenth and Sixteenth Annual Reports of Public Schools

From the San Francisco Medical Society:
Annual address by Henry Gibbons M. D.

All of which is respectfully submitted
G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
Jan'y 4th 1870

New Members — The new members proposed during December as per foregoing report were by resolution duly accepted

Nile and Durney's Bill — Special Committee on matter of Nile and Durney's Bill reported progress and asked further time
Further time granted

Mr Winship's Gas fixtures — Acting Committee on Library, Reading Rooms and Building made a verbal report in which it was stated that a dispute had arisen between the Committee and Mr Winship late tenant of one of the stores in Building, in reference to certain gas fixtures and reflector, which were claimed as not having been transferred with the other fixtures of the store
The matter was referred back to Committee with power

Jan 14th 70 Regular Meeting of Board (Continued)

By Laws etc The Committee of the whole reported a set of By Laws, Rules of Order etc for the government of the Institute which report was amended in several places and subsequently accepted and adopted as amended, which By Laws Rules of Order ect, then stood as follows

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.—*Board of Trustees.*

SEC. 1. Semi-monthly meetings of the Board shall be held at the rooms of the Institute on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at half past seven o'clock P. M.

SEC. 2. The President may call special meetings, and three members may have a special meeting convened through the President. Seven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 3. On taking the chair, the President shall call the Board to order, and the Secretary shall call over the list of members alphabetically, recording the absentees, when he shall read the minutes of the last meeting.

SEC. 4. At meetings of the Board of Trustees, business shall be proceeded with in order as herein set down: Roll call; reading of minutes of last meeting; reports of standing committees; reports of special committees; report of Treasurer; report of Librarian; communications; unfinished business; new business.

ARTICLE II.—*Committees.*

SEC. 1. At the first meeting after the election of the Board, or as soon thereafter as may be, the President shall appoint the Standing Committees of the Board. To consist of three members each:

First—Committee on Library, Rooms and Building.
Second—Committee on Ways and Means and Accounts.
Third—Committee on Books and Donations.
Fourth—Committee on Lectures and Classes.

Each of which Committees shall present a written report quarterly.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Ways and Means and Accounts to examine, from time to time, into the finances of the Board; to see that all dues are paid; to devise ways by which the means of the Institute may be increased; to take into consideration any reports or propositions relating to the treasury; and generally to have a supervision over the financial department of the Institute, and to examine the Treasurer's accounts, and certify to the correctness of the same. The Treasurer's books shall be open at all times to any member of the Board of Trustees.

SEC. 3. The Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, shall have supervision of the rooms, furniture and books of the Institute, see that they are properly arranged, and kept in good order, and report to the Board monthly the condition of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Books and Donations to examine and report monthly upon suitable books, and works of art for the Institute; to acquire these by purchase; to solicit and accept donations of books and other articles suitable for the Institute; and recommend, from time to time, the purchase of new works.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Lectures and Classes, to provide lectures on general and popular topics as often as the Board of Trustees may direct, and to form classes for instruction in such branches as may be deemed advisable by the Board.

SEC. 6. All special committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

ARTICLE III.—*Librarian.*

SEC. 1. The Librarian shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees; and for the moneys, books and other property temporarily committed to his charge, he shall file with the President a legal bond, with one or more sureties, approved by the Board of Trustees, in the sum of one thousand dollars, which bond may be increased at the pleasure of the Board.

SEC. 2. He shall endeavor, in all suitable ways, to increase the number of subscribers, and collect their subscriptions; and for all moneys coming into his hands, belonging to the Institute, he shall account to the Treasurer on the first Monday in each month throughout the year, or oftener if required, taking duplicate receipts of the Treasurer for the same—one of which duplicates shall be filed with the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts monthly; he shall also keep such books of accounts as the Board may direct.

SEC. 3. The keys of the Institute shall be in his possession, and in case of absence from duty, he shall deliver them to the President.

SEC. 4. He shall be punctual in opening and closing the Institute at the hours named in the Rules, and these hours shall be exclusively devoted to the interests of the Institute. He shall cause the rooms to be kept in order, properly warmed, cleaned and ventilated, and the books and furniture kept free from dust. He shall be gentlemanly and courteous to the members, and do all in his power to further the interests of the Institute.

ARTICLE IV.—*Deeds and Papers.*

SEC. 1. All deeds, leases, bonds, contracts and other valuable papers, shall be deposited in the hands of the President of the Institute, which, in the event of his resignation or death, shall be placed in the hands of the Vice President, who, on the new President coming into office, shall deposit them with him.

ARTICLE V.—*Elections.*

SEC. 1. All elections or appointments made by the Board of Trustees shall be by ballot.

ARTICLE VI.—*Amendments.*

SEC. 1. It shall require a vote of the majority of all members elect to alter or amend these By-Laws, notice for the same having been given in writing two weeks previously.

SEC. 2. It shall require an unanimous vote of the members present, at any meeting, to suspend these Rules or By-Laws.

RULES OF ORDER

FOR THE

REGULATION OF PROCEEDINGS IN THE INSTITUTE AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

SEC. 1. The President shall preserve order, and may speak to points of order in preference to members, and shall decide questions of order, subject to appeal, as is usual.

SEC. 2. When any member is about to speak, he shall address the President, and confine himself strictly to the question under discussion.

SEC. 3. When a motion or resolution is made, it shall be handed, if in writing, to the Secretary, and by him re-read before it is debated; and every resolution shall be reduced to writing, if a member desires it.

SEC. 4. No new motion or proposition shall be admitted under color of amendment as a substitute for the motion or resolution under debate. Any member, however, may call for a division of the question when the sense admits of it.

SEC. 5. When a question is under debate, no motion or proposition shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a given day, to commit, to amend—which several motions shall take precedence in the order as here arranged. Motions to adjourn shall always be in order, except when a member is speaking, and shall be put without debate.

SEC. 6. If at any meeting a member doubt the decision of a vote, he may call for a division, and the members voting on each side shall then be counted by tellers appointed for that purpose by the President, and the result declared by him.

SEC. 7. No member who did not vote with the majority on any question shall move the reconsideration of the vote. Reconsideration of questions can only be had at a first subsequent meeting, notice having been given at the previous meeting.

SEC. 8. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed.

SEC. 9. A motion for amendment, until decided, shall preclude further amendments of the main question.

SEC. 10. Motions and reports may be committed, at the pleasure of the meeting.

SEC. 11. All questions shall be propounded in the order in which they are moved; and in filling blanks, the largest sum and the longest time shall be put first.

SEC. 12. The yeas and nays shall be entered on the minutes at the call of any two members.

SEC. 13. The meeting may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole at any time, when propositions made shall not be entered on the journal, without they are carried in committee; and when in committee, the President shall leave the chair and appoint a chairman.

SEC. 14. If at any meeting questions should arise that are not treated upon above, they shall be decided upon by appeal to "Cushing's Manual."

REGULATIONS FOR THE LIBRARY.

SEC. 1. The Library shall be open every day throughout the year, from 9 o'clock A. M., until 10 o'clock P. M., excepting Saturday evening, when it shall be closed at 10½ P. M., Sundays, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, and New Year's Day excepted.

SEC. 2. The Librarian shall keep a full and accurate catalogue of all the books, magazines, maps, charts, and works of art belonging to the Institute, and arrange them in proper order; he shall make a record of all books and other donations presented to the Institute, in a book provided for that purpose, with the names of the donors, and make suitable acknowledgments of the same.

SEC. 3. He shall register in a book prepared for that purpose, and to be kept in the Library Room, the names of each member of the Institute, and shall in no case deliver a book to any member until the name of such member shall have been so registered.

SEC. 4. He shall enter, in a book kept for that purpose, the title of every volume delivered by him; the name of the person to whom delivered; the time of taking and returning the same, together with the forfeitures arising from every default.

SEC. 5. He shall collect all dues and forfeitures incurred by the members, and account for the same to the Treasurer, as herein before provided.

SEC. 6. He shall submit to the Board of Trustees a monthly report, stating the amount of moneys received and expended by him; report the names of such members as may refuse to pay their dues and forfeitures, or lose or damage any book belonging to the Library; the names of all delinquents, with the amount of dues remaining unpaid; and recommend the adoption of such measures as he may judge necessary for the greater efficiency and usefulness of the Institute.

SEC. 7. He may forbid any person, *excepting members of the Board*, to remove a book from its place in the Library, without his permission.

SEC. 8. He shall replace the books in proper order upon the shelves as soon as convenient after they are returned, having first examined them with care, and ascertained whether they have been injured or defaced.

SEC. 9. He shall ascertain, during the months preceding the quarterly meetings of the Institute, by the examination of the account of each member, the book or books not then returned to the Library; and shall cause the same to be procured of the members in default.

SEC. 10. He shall deliver to any member applying personally, or to his written order, one volume if it be a folio or quarto, and two if an octavo or duodecimo, or volume of less size.

SEC. 11. Every member may detain each book or books as aforesaid, if it be a folio or quarto, four weeks; an octavo, three weeks; or a book or books of less size, two weeks, except new publications, which, until they shall have been in the Library two months, shall not be detained, an octavo longer than two weeks, and books of less size one week, and which shall not be renewed. No book shall be reserved by the Librarian for any Trustee or member.

SEC. 12. Any member who shall detain a book or books longer than the time above limited, respectively, shall forfeit and pay to the Librarian, for every day a volume is so detained, if it be a folio, ten cents; a quarto, five cents; an octavo, a duodecimo, or smaller volume or pamphlet, two cents.

SEC. 13. If any member lose or injure a book, he shall make the same good to the Librarian; and if the book lost or injured be one of a set, he shall pay to the Librarian, for the use of the Institute, the full value of the said set, and may thereupon receive the remaining volumes as his property.

SEC. 14. No member shall be permitted to receive a book from the Library until he shall have paid all sums due from him to the Institute, and made good all damages and losses which he may have occasioned.

SEC. 15. No member shall be permitted to speak in a loud tone of voice, or wear his hat in the Library Room.

SEC. 16. Books of reference, and such others as may, from time to time, be specially designated by the Board, shall not be taken from the Library, except by special permission of the Board of Trustees: *provided, however*, that newspapers, encyclopedias, dictionaries, and atlases, shall in no case be taken from the Library Room.

REGULATIONS FOR THE READING ROOMS.

SEC. 1. The Reading Rooms shall be opened every day throughout the year, from nine o'clock A. M., until ten o'clock, P. M., excepting on Sundays, when the Reading Rooms will be open from ten o'clock A. M., to nine oclock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

SEC. 2. Loud conversation and smoking shall not be permitted, except in a room set apart for those purposes.

SEC. 3. No member shall assume the liberty of arranging the books or periodicals upon the tables, or performing any of the duties that devolve upon the Librarian.

SEC. 4. Any member may have the privilege of introducing a friend, not a resident of the city, whose name shall be registered by the Librarian in a book kept for that purpose, and who shall receive a ticket of admission for the term of one month.

SEC. 5. None but members shall be permitted the privileges of the Institute unless introduced by a member.

SEC. 6. No member shall be allowed to remove papers from the files, or books, plates, or periodicals from the Reading Rooms.

SEC. 7. Should a member transgress any article in these Regulations, he shall be reported to the Board of Trustees, who may take such measures thereon as they may deem expedient.

SEC. 8. The Regulations of the Library and Reading Rooms shall not be altered, amended or suspended, unless by the votes of seven members of the Board of Trustees present at a regular meeting, notice being given for that purpose.

Jan'y 4th/70 — Regular Meeting of the Board (continued)

Constitution &c to be printed — Ordered that 100 copies of Constitution, By-Laws etc be printed in Pamphlet form.

Bills to be Paid — The Board then ordered the following bills paid:

S. F. Chronicle	Advertising			4	50
Frank Eastman	Circulars to Notify Board			3	50
Spaulding & Barto	Polytechnic Posters			5	00
Cubery & Co	Circulars "Directories"			5	00
Roesler & Koff	Repairing 20 Chairs			11	25
Dr Whitney	Books		2	86	50
Hippolyte Cassan	Balance of Salary			48	33
G. P. Coleman	Salary for Dec'r		1	00	00
G. C. Hurlbut	" "		1	50	00
Librarians Petty Cash	For Dec'r			61	25
M. W. Peyser	Subscription to Bulletin			26	25
	Total		7	01	58

Californian Publications — It being proposed that some steps might be taken, to procure an order by the State, requiring all Californian Publications of Books, to be filed in some Public Library, and that the Mechanics Institute Library would be a fitting place for the purpose, it was:
Resolved: That the President be requested to take the matter into Consideration, and that he be authorized and requested to act in the premises.

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Secretary

Jan'y 6th 70 — Regular Meeting of the Institute

Rooms of the Institute
Jan'y 6th 1870

Mr Pres't Hallidie in the chair

Present, a Quorum

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

Constitution &c Presented — Mr Pres't Hallidie reported verbally, the action of the late Board of Directors, in reference to Re-incorporation, and presented Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, By Laws, Rules of Order etc, in pamphlet form.

Constitution &c Ratified — Moved by Mr W. F. Herrick and it was seconded that the report of Trustees be accepted, and the Constitution, Act of Incorporation, By Laws, Rules of order etc, Contained in the printed form be and is hereby ratified by the Institute
Motion Carried unanimously

Drawing Classes — Moved by Mr W. F. Herrick, and it was seconded, that the business Connected with the inauguration of Drawing Classes be referred to Board of Trustees
Motion Carried

Lecture — Mr Hubert Burgess was then introduced to the meeting who proceeded to deliver an interesting Lecture upon "Drawing and Linear Perspective" at the Conclusion of which it was

Vote of Thanks — Moved by Mr R. A. Marden, and seconded, that a vote of thanks be tendered to Mr Burgess for his instructive Lecture
Motion Carried unanimously

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Secretary

Jan'y 18th/70

Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
January 18th 1870

Mr Prest Hallidie in the chair.

Roll Call Absent: Messrs Browning, Pease and Wilcox

Minutes Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

Mr Winship's Gas fixtures A communication was read from Mrs Winship late tenant of the building offering to sell gas fixtures she had left in the Store vacated by her for the sum of $40,
Ordered that $35 be tendered her in payment of all demands in full

Nile & Durney's Bill Mr Davis of Special Committee in connection with Nile and Durney's Bill reported progress and asked further time
Further time granted

Moore's propn to buy Books Mr Prest Hallidie announced a proposition made by Mr H. H. Moore Bookseller, to purchase books for the Institute in Europe, upon Commission, he to retain all books and not charge for same, which may not be accepted by the Institute.
The proposition was discussed but no action taken

Stoddart as Canvasser Moved and seconded that Mr W. J. Stoddard be employed to canvass for members for the Institute, he to receive 20% of first quarters dues and initiation fee, or fifty cents for each member; during pleasure of Board
Carried and so ordered

Chess Room Mr Britton moved and it was seconded that the Librarian be requested to take an account twice each day, until further notice, of the number of persons attending the Chess room and if possible to ascertain the names of the persons so attending
Motion Carried and it was so ordered
The above with a view of ascertaining if it is of sufficient importance to maintain the Chess room for its present purpose

Bugbee's Books Mr Tracy reported in reference to certain works lately offered for sale by Mr Bugbee, that the books had been disposed of, and therefore could not be obtained for the Institute

Jan'y 18th 70 Acting Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following Bills approved, recommending that the same be paid

Bills Paid	W. B. Cook & Co	Envelopes printing same	6.00
	Cubery & Co	1 Book of Receipts	4 50
	C. M. Plum	Sundry Cord pullies & Labor	4 75
	S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Decr	153 00
	H. H. Bancroft & Co	Books	23 65
	S. F. Chronicle	Advtg meeting	7 50
	S. F. Bulletin	" "	4 00
	Alta "Carrier"	Newspaper Subtn	13 00
	Mulks Mahon Rapp & Co	500 Cards 3 Colors	23 00
	H. H. Moore	Books	91 75
	A. Roman	Books	100 00
		Total	$433 75

Ordered that the foregoing bills be paid in usual manner

Same Committee reported back Correct, Treasurers report for December which was accepted and approved, and ordered spread upon the minutes as follows

Treasurers Report

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my Report of the receipts and disbursements for December 1869

Receipts

Amount received on a/c of Rent	530 00	
" " " " Collections	704 48	
" " from Seventh Ind Exhibition	4000 00	
	5234 48	5234 48

Disbursements

Amts Paid

Geo Roth Subscription to Bulletin	41 25	
W. B. Cook & Co Stationery	5 50	
Spaulding & Barto Printing	14 50	
E. W. Parks Subscription to Alta	13 00	
W. J. Cortes Binding	44 00	
Union Ins Co Insurance	395 50	
F. W. Crellish and Co Advertising	4 50	
A. Roman & Co Books	104 88	
G. C. Hurlbut Salary for November	150 00	
Carry forward	773 13	

Jan'y 18th 70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Receipts — Carried forward — 5234 48

Treasurers Report — Carried forward — 4773 13

G. P. Coleman	Salary for November	100	00
H. Cassan	" "	50	00
G. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash a/c	25	48
Cal Trust Co	Desk	45	00
C. Rosqui	Printing	9	25
C. M. Plum	Matting	6	50
Bulletin Co	Advertising	4	75
J. H. O. Brien	Plumbing	14	75
Bancroft & Co	Books	49	10
C. Black	Books	30	38
S. V. Water Wks	Water for Oct & Nov	24	08
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Sept & Oct	197	00
Bacon & Co	Printing	10	00
Cubery & Co	do	12	50
Elastic Sponge Co	Divan & Bedding	41	75
W. H. Moore	Books	239	75
Jennings & Garfield	Repairs	15	00
C. L. Tilden	do	90	50
Union Ins Co	Interest to Jan'y 4 1870	1563	35
	Balance due Treasurer Nov 30	696	40
	Total	4052	59
			4052 59

Leaving Balance in Treasury this date — 1181 89

San Francisco Dec'r 31. 1869

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas

Masonic Lodges — Capt. Blyth was here introduced to the Board to whom he proposed that action should be taken to induce some of the Masonic Lodges and other kindred societies, to occupy portions of the Institute Building:
Referred to Messrs Coleman, Gilmore and Davis, to report at next regular meeting or sooner

---

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Secretary

Jan'y 25th 70 — "Special" meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
January 25th 1870

Mr Pres't Hollidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Coleman, Herrick and Pease.

In matter of Blyth's proposition to Rent Lower Hall — The President stated the meeting was called to receive and act upon the report of the Special Committee to whom had been referred Capt. Blyth's proposition to lease a portion of the Building for the purposes of certain Lodges of the Masonic Order, and to transact such other business as might be brought forward
Special Committee being called reported a written proposition from Mr Blyth in substance as follows:
Mr Blyth offered on his own responsibility to conclude a lease, for two years or more, of the Lower Hall of the Institute Building, known as the Lecture Room, with the ante rooms connected therewith, but not including the front room at North-east side of said Hall, at a monthly rental of ($160) One Hundred and sixty dollars, Gold Coin, the Institute to pay all expenses, estimated at $150, necessary to fit up the Hall, for the accommodation of the Lodges who would occupy the same.
Or: Mr Blyth would pay ($140) One Hundred and forty dollars monthly rental, and he undertake the expenses of fitting up the Hall, excepting that the Institute shall clean, rewhiten, and paint wood work in the Hall, expense of so doing being estimated at $225,
In either of the above cases it being understood that the Institute shall have full privilege of the Hall every Saturday

Mr Hansconi moved and it was seconded, that Mr Blyth's second proposition viz: offering $140 monthly rental, the Institute to clean, rewhiten and paint wood work, be accepted
Mr Britton moved a division of the question;
Accordingly, embracing the first part, a motion was put as follows, by Consent.
Resolved: That the lower Hall known as the Lecture Hall including south-west ante room attached be leased for 2 years to Capt Blyth, at a monthly rental of ($140) One Hundred and forty dollars, the Institute to reserve entire right to the Hall on every Saturday

"Carried"

See "by error omitted" Page 22

Jan[y] 25[th]/70

Special Meeting (Continued)

Petition to Legislature regarding University Colleges

Mr[r] Scott asked permission to have a memorial to the State Legislature read, setting forth the advantages to be obtained by locating the Colleges of the applied Sciences, in the city of San Francisco, and the disadvantages incident to their being located at Berkeley; and moved that the said Memorial be adopted as the sense of the Board, and ordered presented to the Legislature addressed

The motion to adopt the Memorial as the sense of the Board being seconded was put and Carried unanimously, The Memorial was then ordered referred to the President for presentation to the Legislature

Pardow's Books

Upon motion the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to request Mr[r] George Pardow, to remove certain volumes of Encyclopedia Brittanica, belonging to him and left in charge of the Institute, to remove responsibility and give room for books belonging to the Institute.

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Secretary

By Error omitted at end of Page "21"
Several amendments were offered to the remaining part of original question which were "Lost" finally the following substitute was moved
Resolved: That the Institute allow Capt Blyth the sum of (225 $) Two Hundred and twenty five dollars, to defray the expense of cleaning re whitening and painting the Hall he to undertake said work

Motion Carried

George Pardy Secretary

Feby 1st/70

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
February 1st 1870

Mr[r] Pres[t] Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call

Absent: Mess[rs] Browning, Herrick, Hancock, Scott and Wiley

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meetings of Jan[y] 18[th] and 25[th] were read and approved

The President then appointed the following:

Standing Committees

"Standing Committees"

Ways, Means and Accounts — Mess[rs] Hauscom, Coleman and Pease
Books and Donations " Hancock, Pease and Herrick
Library, Rooms and Building " Macy, Herrick and Britton
Lectures and Classes " Scott, Macy and Hauscom

Damage by Explosion

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported that certain damages had been occasioned to the Library Room in Consequence of an explosion having occurred in an adjoining building, several of the light in windows had been blown or shaken out and sash slightly damaged; the Committee had ordered the damages immediately repaired

Report accepted and action approved

Committee on Books and Donations had no report to offer:

Bills Paid

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts reported the following Bills approved, recommending the same be paid

Librarians Petty Cash a/c January		8017
Gr P Coleman	Salary for January	10000
G. E. Hurlbut	" "	15000
D. E Harnay	Balance	400
Hermann Stieglitz	Salary for January in part	5000
	Total	$38417

The above Bills were ordered paid in usual manner

Feb'y 1st '70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Bills Paid — The following bills were ordered paid by the Board

Guyas and Dutton	Record Books	14 00
Women's Printing Co-operative Union	2 Receipt Bks	8 00
A. J. Cortes	Binding Bks	70 50
Cubery & Co	Members Receipt Bks	3 50
H. H. Bancroft	1 Vol of Universe	9 00
H. P. Montagg	1 ton Coal	10 00
J. F. Pages	Cutting Die and press	13 50
	Total	134 50
	Previously ordered Paid	3841 7
	Grand Total	5186 7

Order relating to Bills — Mr Britton moved, and it was seconded, that the Librarian be instructed to have all bills approved and signed by the party who may have ordered them incurred, before presenting the same to the auditing committee

Carried and so ordered

Treasurers Report — The Treasurer presented his report for January which was read and ordered referred to Committee on Ways, Means and accounts.

Librarians Report — The Librarians report for the month of January was read and ordered received and spread upon the minutes as follows:

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to report for the month of January as follows:

Amount received for initiation fees	$ 23 50
" " Monthly fees of Strangers	2 00
" " Life Memberships	100 00
" " Dues Collected	345 50
" " Rents	59 00
Total	$ 1061 00

Twenty eight new members have been added to the Institute, viz: Royal Fisk, Adolph Wagner, W. C. Parsons, J. W. Harvey

Librarians Report — A. G. Waterhouse, J. Van Riper, E. Warren, W. D. Dean, W. A. Gorrill, Frank B. Rollins, Arnold D'Erlach, D. W. Swain, David Barclay, Arthur Boyrie, Wm A. Robinson, Chas R. Smith, G. Gwyther, Wm A. Boyd, C. D. Kellum, W. Josephi, W. Lynch, J. E. A. Helms, P. P. Goodwin, S. A. Winall, J. C. Doherty, W. G. Dixon, J. W. Donnelly, R. J. Chapman — 28.

Nineteen of these paid their entrance fees at the Library; the others were introduced by Mr W. J. Stoddart

Four strangers have availed themselves of the regulation, admitting them to the use of the rooms.

Dr J. P. Whitney has paid One Hundred dollars for two Life Memberships, one in his own name, the other in that of Augusta C. Behrens.

There have been added to the Library during the past month Five Hundred and fifty Volumes, classified as follows: Fiction in English 8, in French 337; Law in French 1; Theology in English 1; Travels in English 12, in French 3, in Spanish 3; Philosophy in English 6, in French 4 in Spanish 20; Biography in English 7, in French 23, in Spanish 5; History in English 27, in French 5, in Spanish 5; Memoirs in English 12; Encyclopedias in English 3. Essays in English, 2; Games in English, 1; Science and arts in English, 22; in French, 1; Poetry in English, 2, in French, 7, in Spanish, 12; Miscellaneous, in English, 1; — in all 550 Volumes

All of which is respectfully submitted

Geo. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco Feb'y 1st 1870.

New Members approved — The new members reported having joined the Institute in foregoing Report were duly accepted by the Board

Nile and Durney's Bill — Special Committee in Connection with Nile and Durney's Bill, reported that some difficulty had been experienced, in procuring referees, and asked further time

Further time granted

Memorial to Legislature — Mr Prest Hallidie reported that he had given to the care of Judge Hager, for presentation to the Legislature, the Memorial addressed to them, in relation to the proposition to locate the Colleges of University of California in this City (referred to the President at previous meeting)

Action approved

Feb'y 1st/70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Pub: Docs — A Communication was read from Hon A. A Sargent, in reference to Public Documents, which the Institute had requested him to procure for them

Ordered placed on file

Drawing Teacher — A Communication from T. H. Wheeler was read, asking the appointment of Teacher of Drawing, should the Institute organize a class for instruction in that branch

Referred to Committee on Lectures and Classes

Purchase of Books — A Communication was read from H. H. Moore, Bookseller in which he made a definite proposition in regard to purchasing Books, in Europe, for account of Institute.

Referred to Com: on Books and Donations

Gas Governor — Mr Macy of Committee on Library, Rooms, and Building reported in relation to Gas Regulator which had been placed on trial by the Committee, that the same had proven successful, and recommended it be purchased at the price asked. 60 $.

Referred back to the Committee with instructions to report further at next regular meeting.

New set of Books — Mr Haus Cox on behalf of Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported that being busy taking stock, and not having yet completed the account, they had not opened the new account books; the Committee asked further time.

Further time granted

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

Feb'y 15th/70 — Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
Feb'y 15th 1870

Mr Prest Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning and Gilmore

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting Feb'y 1st were read and approved

Bills — The Committee on Ways, Means and accounts reported the following Bills approved, and recommended the same be paid

S.F. Bulletin Co	Adv'g Lecture	11 75
S.F. Gas Co	Gas for January	123 50
H. H. Moore	Books	105 25
A. Roman & Co	Books	38 70
H. H. Bancroft & Co	Books	41 81
Spaulding & Barto	500 Cards	7 00
S.F. Chronicle	Adv'g Lectures	7 00
Also approved by Board	Total	335 01
R. A. Fisher.	Lecture expenses	9 80
	Grand Total	$344 81

Ordered that the foregoing bills be paid in usual manner

Same Committee reported back correct Treasurers Report for January, which was accepted and approved and ordered to be spread upon the minutes as follows:

Treasurers Report

Treasurers Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my Report of the receipt and Disbursements for January 1870

Receipts

Balance in Treasury as per Report for December	$ 118189
Amount received on a/c of Rent	59000
" " " " Collections	48423
Total	$ 225612

over

Feby 15th/70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Treasurers Report (Continued)

Treasurers Report for January

Disbursements

Amount Paid			
James L. Field	for Engrossing		750
A. Wenzel	" Work on Clock		1700
H. P. Sontagg	" Coal		1600
Francis and Valentine	" Printing		350
Union Ins Co	" Interest		40000
S. F. Bulletin	" Advertising		250
Noble and Gallagher	" Painting and Repairs	50657	
A. Roman & Co	" Books	4976	
J. P. Whitney	" do	28650	
A. Crawford	" Repairs to Flag	250	
W. J. Canham	" Painting	1215	
G. C. Hurlbut	" Petty Cash	6125	
H. Cassan	" Salary	4833	
G. P. Coleman	" Salary for Decr	10000	
G. C. Hurlbut	" do	15000	
A. S. Hallidie	" Petty Cash	1200	
Cubery & Co	" Printing	850	
Frank Eastman	" do	350	
M. M. Peyser	" Subscription to Bulletin	2625	
Bancroft & Co	" Books	5249	
Spaulding and Barto	" Printing	500	
S. F. Chronicle	" Advtg	450	
Roesler & Hoff	" Repairing Chairs	1125	
S. F. Gas Co	" Gas for Nov=	14000	
S. F. Water Co	" Water for Dec	1200	
H. H. Moore	" Books	9175	
W. B. Cooke	" Stationery	660	
A. Genoud	" Books	10000	
A. J. Cortes	" Binding	7050	
Millen Mahon Kapp & Co	" Printing	2500	
Bancroft & Co	" Books	2365	
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	22561	
		248296	

Leaving Amt due Treasurer $226.64

Amt to credit of Sinking Fund 225.61

Respectfully Submitted

Henry L. Davis

Treasurer

San Francisco

9th Feby 1st 1870

Feby 15th/70 — Gas Governor

Mr. Macy on behalf of Committee on Library, Rooms and Building again reported in favor of Gas regulator, stating that he had made elaborate notes of its operation, and found results favoring the supposition that it would effect a saving in the consumption of gas; He handed in the following memorandum, made with a view of comparing the record of the meter, with and without the regulator attached

Memoranda

Gas for December 1868,	27300 feet	@ 5.75 per M.		157.00
" " January 1869	28300 "	@ " "		162.75
" " December 1869	30.600 "	@ 5.00 "		153.00
" " January 1870	25.800 "	@ 5.00 "		129.00

Gas governor put on january 4th 1870, and amount saved for the month, less four days say $24.00

(signed) H. C. Macy

Moved and seconded that the report be recommitted for further consideration

Motion Carried

Mr Macy asked that the report be spread upon the minutes

By Consent: "So ordered"

Cheap Books offered

Committee on Books and Donations reported that Bancroft & Co offered certain Books of particular merit to the Institute at a cheap rate

No action taken

H. H. Moore's Book purchasing Prop.

Same Committee reported in favor of accepting, with certain modifications, Mr Moores proposition to contract with him for purchase of Books, for account of Institute, in London and Paris,

Mr Haus Cow moved and it was seconded, that an arrangement be entered into with Mr Moore, to purchase Books for account of Institute, we to pay all bills on receipt of same with Bills of Lading, if we shall conclude to order under terms of his letter

Motion Lost

Mr Scott offered as a substitute motion, and it was seconded, - That the Committee on Books and Donations arrange with Mr Moore, to purchase Books to amount of $1000, Cash if we shall Conclude to make purchases

Motion Carried,

Com on Lectures "Stationery"

Committee on Lectures and Classes, through their chairman Mr Scott, reported progress, and asked to have Stationery

Feby 15th/70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Com on Lectures — provided for them.

Stationery — Moved and seconded that the necessary authority be granted to the Committee on Lectures and Classes, to purchase Stationery
Motion Carried and so ordered

Bowers old claim — Mr Hanscom of Special committee appointed to consider claim of J. F. Bowers, reported in full the record from the Minutes from 1860, in reference thereto, and recommended that the sum of $65 25/100 be paid Bowers in liquidation of his claim
Report received, ordered filed, the recommendation adopted, the amount ordered paid, and the Committee was discharged

Nile & Durney's Bill — Special Committee on Nile and Durney's Bill, through their chairman Mr Davis, reported that Messrs Currier, of Currier and Winter, and Wool, of Jones and Wool, had reviewed their claim, and had adjuged the same correct; The Committee therefore recommended the bill be allowed;
Report received, recommendation adopted, Bill ordered paid, and the Committee was discharged

Com from B. Quaritch — A Communication from Mr B. Quaritch, of London, inclosing invoice of Books purchased per order of Institute, was read
Ordered received and placed on file

Lease to Capt Blyth — Mr Pres. Hallidie reported the lease entered into with Capt Blyth for Hall on first floor of Building, which being read,
"Terms of Lease were approved"

Irish Societies and Pavilion — A petition was read from Irish American Society, asking use of Pavilion on St Patrick's day
Referred to President with power

Canvas for Hall — The matter of Canvassing over Carpet in Lower Hall, when used by Institute was referred to Committee on Library, Rooms and Building with power

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

March 1st/70 — Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
March 1st 1870

Mr Pres. Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Gilmore, Herrick, Hancock and Scott.

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting of Feby 15th were read and approved

Com: L. R. & B. — Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, asked further time to report
Further time granted

Bills — Committee on Ways, Means and accounts reported the following bills approved, recommending that the same be paid as follows:

A Roman & Co	Books	46,90
Chilion Beach	Books	15 12
J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing on M.C.	5 50
S. V. Water Wks Co	Water for Jany & Feby	24 00
F. McCrellish & Co	Advtg Lecture	7 00
D. Hicks & Co	Binding Books	53 75
Jas L. Fields	Engrossing Constitution &c	16 00
H. H. Bancroft & Co	Books	39 01
Librarians Petty Cash a/c		41 20
H. Stieglitz	Salary for Feby	60 00
L. P. Coleman	Salary for Feby	100,00
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Feby	150 00
M. Quin	Whitewing Snows Store	14 00
	Total	$574.48

Bills Paid — Ordered that the foregoing bills be paid in usual manner

Librarian's Report — The Librarians Report for the month of February was read, and ordered received and spread upon the minutes as follows:

Librarian's Report for February

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:
I have to report for the month of February as follows:

March 1st/70 — Regular Meting (Continued)

Librarian's Report (Continued)

Librarian's Report for February

Amount received for Entrance fees 34 50
" " " Monthly dues (strangers 5 50
" " " dues collected 164 00
" " " Rents 455 00
Total $659 00

I called upon Mr A. A. Sanders for Sixty seven 50/100 Dollars, for rent of the Hall, occupied by him till the middle of February. He did not refuse the payment but has not yet paid.

Thirty six new members have joined the Institute during the past month, viz:

Matthew N. Kimball, entered in January but did not pay fees until Feby	J. P. Gaynor	Jno. T. Daly
	Cornelius Holmes	Jno. James Taylor
J. C. Woods	Miss A. B. Sawyer	Charles Osperg
N. Higgins	D. Dénéchaud	Henry Adler
B. F. Butler	V. Hess	C. B. Howes
B. Warschauer	Andrea Denegri	Samuel Lorie
Alfred Harris	E. L. Tarbox	Samuel Guthrie
A. M. Henry	D. N. Fawley	Luke Curry
Mrs Mary Mills	Edward Robinson	Dennis Foley
George King	S. L. Coan	Charles B. Chase
Alexander Welden	A. Kopka	Mr W. H. Blackman
W. Larkin	H. T. Edmonston	in all 36.
J. B. Parker	W. W. Theobald	

Three members have withdrawn:
Martin Winslow James O'Sullivan & E. Borchelt.

Of the new members, three W. Larkin, J. B. Parker and D. T. Tarbox were brought in by Mr Stoddart

Eleven Strangers paid for reading privileges, during the month

There were added to the Library in February, by purchase 120 Volumes, classified as follows:

Fiction	47	Wit and Humor	5	Theology	5
Travel	5	Philosophy and Essays	9	Law	2
Political Economy	2	Biography	17	History	10
Encyclopedia	1	Philology	2	Art and Science	10
Poetry	5	in all 120.			

Donations have been received,
From Edward Bosqui "The Golden Gate"

March 1st/70 — From Oregon Agricultural Society — Premiums awarded etc 1869
" California Prison Commission — Fourth annual Report 1869
Librarian's Report (Donations) — " G. H. Rogers, Legislature, — Biennial Report State Comptroller 1867-8, 1868-9
" " — Report of Commissioners to remove Boys from Reform School
" " — First Biennial Message of Gov Haight
" " — Report of Secty Supreme Court on Library
" " — " of State Geologist on Geological Survey
" " — Standing and Joint rules Officers and Standing Committee of Assembly 18th Session
" " — Report of Board of Regents of University
" " — Biennial Report of Secretary of State
" " — Report & Resolutions of Commissioners and Salaries
" " — " of Surveyor General 1867-9
" " — Informe Bienal del Tesorero Julio de 1867 hasta Julio de 1869
" Hon C. Cole — General Survey Paris Exposition 1867
" " — Machinery & Processes of the Industrial Arts
" " — Report on Building and Method of Building
" " — " Production of Iron and Steel
" " — " Munitions of War
" " — " Fine arts applied to the Useful Arts
" " — " Cereals
" " — " Silk & Silk Manufactures
" " — " Musical Instruments
" " — " Cotton
" " — " Steam Engineering
" " — " Wool & Wool Manufactures
" " — " Instruments and apparatus of Medicine etc
" " — " Béton Coinet (Concrete)
" " — " Progress and Condition of Industrial Chemistry
" " — " Precious Metals
" " — " Department of Agriculture for 1868
" Hon Robert Watt State Comptroller — Biennial Report for 1867-9
" H. H. Bancroft & Co — Two Bound Vols Pacific Medical and Surgical Journal Vols 1 & 2, 1867-8, 1868-9
" A. J. Cortes — Richelet's French Dictionary 2 Vols
" A. Payot & Co — Fables par G. Abel Laroche

In accordance with instructions from the Board the number of visitors to the chess room has been registered, with

March 1st/70

Librarians Report (continued)

Regular Meeting (Continued)

Librarian's Report (continued)

the following result, for the month of February;

At	10 A.M.	Highest Number	6	Lowest Number	0
"	11 A.M.	" "	10	" "	0
"	12 M.	" "	9	" "	1
"	1 P.M.	" "	4	" "	0
"	2 P.M.	" "	10	" "	0
"	3 P.M.	" "	11	" "	3
"	4 P.M.	" "	12	" "	3
"	5 P.M.	" "	10	" "	2
"	6 P.M.	" "	9	" "	0
"	7 P.M	" "	13	" "	0
"	8 P.M	" "	9	" "	2
"	9 P.M	" "	12	" "	3
"	10 P.M.	" "	11	" "	0

The highest numbers were nearly always observed on Saturdays and Sundays. Twenty five times, in 28 days, each of 13 observations the attendance reached the number of 9. Sixty two times it reached only 3, or fell below it.

Mr D. Dénéchaud appeals to the Board to allow him the gas fixtures, as part of the fixtures purchased by him, when he agreed to pay One Hundred Dollars for all that belonged to Mrs Winship, in the store. He has this day paid the One Hundred Dollars with interest

All of which is respectfully submitted

San Francisco
Mch 1st 1870

C. C. Hurlbut,
Librarian

In reference to the foregoing report.

New Members — The thirty six new members reported were duly approved and accepted by the Board

Donations — The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the Donations of Books &c and return thanks of Board for same

Dénéchaud Gas fixtures — In the matter of Mr Dénéchauds appeal to be allowed certain gas fixtures in store as part of his purchase, the subject was referred to Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, to Report

Chess Room attendance — In the matter of reported averages of attendance in Chess Room, the subject was laid over till next meeting

Annual Rpt Com W. M. & A. — The Committee on Ways, Means and Account, through their chairman Mr Hanscom, presented their annual report which was read and Committee granted further time to complete the same, until Thursday 3rd inst,

March 1st/70 Com on B & D. — Committee on books and Donations were granted further time to report

Com on Lec & Classes — Committee on Lectures and Classes were granted further time to report.

Bills to be presented — The recommendation of Committee on Ways Means and account in reference to presentation of Bills, to the effect that all bills shall be presented and placed on file, at least three days before their being presented to the Board was

Adopted, and "So ordered"

Gas Governor — Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, reported that they had definitely ascertained by experiment that a saving was effected in the consumption of gas by the use of the Gas Governor, and recommended that the same be purchased at $60, though the Committee believed said charge to be exorbitant in view of the simple Construction of the apparatus.

A Motion to adopt the recommendation to purchase of the Committee was "Lost"

Treasurers Feby Report — The Treasurers Report for the month of February was read and ordered referred to Committee on Ways Means and Account

Treasurers Annual Rept. — The Treasurers Annual Report was read and ordered referred to Committee on Ways Means and Account.

Com from H. H. Moore — A Communication was read from Mr H. H. Moore, stating he had certain desirable works for sale cheap, previous to his departure for the East,

Referred to Committee on Books and Donations

B. Quaritch's Bill $1392.00 — It was moved and seconded that an order be drawn on the Treasurer to pay the amount of Invoice of Books purchased by B. Quaritch of London, for account of Institute, to amount of $1392.00

Motion Carried and "So ordered"

H. H. Moore's proposition — Mr Pease on behalf of Committee on Books and Donations reported adversely in regard to entering into any arrangement with Mr H. H. Moore, to purchase books for account of Institute in view of the large purchases already made through Mr B Quaritch, and the depleted state of the Treasury, and recommended that negotiations in the matter be discontinued

Recommendation adopted

March 1st/70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Water Closet Repairs — Mr. Pease reported that certain repairs were necessary to the Water Closets in connection with the Lower Hall (Mason's Lodge Rooms) and asked the Board to take action in the matter
Mr. Hanscom moved in this connection that the matter of repairing Water Closets attached to Lower Hall, be referred to Committee on Library, Rooms and Building with Power
"Motion Carried"

Adjourned

George Tandy
Secretary

March 3rd/70 — Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute
Rooms of the Institute
March 3rd 1870

Mr. Brest Hallidie in the Chair

Present: A Quorum

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting of the Institute, Jany 6th were read and approved

President's Annual Report — Mr. President Hallidie then made the following report for the year ending March

"President's Annual Report"

"To the Members of the
Mechanics' Institute
Gentlemen:

"I respectfully submit a report
"of affairs and proceedings of the Mechanics' Institute since
"Feby 1, 1869, running over a period of thirteen months,
"and thinking it advisable to include the month of February
"which has generally been omitted in the report of the
"various Committees of the Board of Trustees

"Under the new Incorporation
"and Constitution of your society, the terms of your officers
"expire 1st June next, and this will require a further
"report from me, which will then cover the entire time and
"be more at length

"Many material changes have
"taken place in the affairs of your society, and I trust
"for the better.

"At your last annual meeting
"4th March 1869 you instructed the Directors to reincorporate
"your society (for your society had never been properly incor-
"porated), and which has been done, and since ratified
"by Special meeting called for that purpose, at which meet-
"ing printed copies of the new articles of Incorporation, Consti-
"tution and By-Laws were presented

"By referring to said Incorporation
"it will be seen that, the property, books etc, are held in trust
"to be forever used for purposes of a Mechanics' Institute
"and for none other, that there are no shares of stock
"or individual ownership, but, that the society exists for

March 3rd/70

President's Annual Report

Quarterly Meeting (Continued)

"the benefit of the whole, and for the objects for which it was organ-
"ized.
"The business meetings are held quarterly instead of monthly
"hoping that by this means we will succeed in having a larger
"attendance at these meetings

"The annual elections are the 1st
"Monday of June, and at each election half the number
"of Trustees shall be elected to serve two years, there being
"fourteen Trustees in all.

"An additional standing Committee
"has been provided for, that of classes and Lectures
A series of Lectures are now being
"presented by this Committee on the first Saturday of each
"month, on technical subjects and so far have been free to
"members, and it is hoped that provision will be made by
"the same committee at an early day for classes of Tuition

"Since my last annual report your
"society has held its Seventh Industrial Exhibition, with sat-
"isfactory results, having netted as per statement laying
"on the tables $25,771.25 this being the result of two years
"work, and on a total outlay for Construction and preparation
"of Building and running expenses of $101,337.00 and a fair
"proportion of hand work.

"The Lease granted your society for
"the use of Union Square expired 1st of January 1870. but
"it is hoped you may be permitted to retain the Pavilion
"until Dec. 1871 as it is believed that another Industrial
"Exhibition will enable the Trustees to reduce the Mort-
"gaged debt to a sum which can be handled; whereas
"if you are compelled to remove the building at this time
"it will leave your society still embarrassed with a debt
"of $40,000.00 and entail a heavy loss from the forced sale
"of the pavilion and its appurtenances, which while it cost
"you in all $53000.00 would not realize at the present de-
"pressed state of the market, over $7,000.00

"I sincerely believe the prosperity of
"your society hinges to a great extent upon your being per-
"mitted to retain the Pavilion until another fair can be
"held. and which would be at the earliest date August 1871.
"When we reflect the vast amount of good these Exhibitions
"have done to the city and state, I rest strongly in the
"hope that an enlarged view of the case may con-
"ciliate any opposition to the Pavilion remaining in

March 3rd/70

President's Annual Report

"its present location, with a guarantee given to the property owners
"in the vicinity that it shall be removed within 30 days
"after the close of the Fair

"The free use of the Pavilion has been
"given to many benevolent purposes & there is scarcely a
"society in the city which has not received from it some bene-
"fit;

"Your Trustees tendered the use of the
"Building to the Trustees of the Mercantile Library for its
"benefit, under the direction of Madame Camilla Urso
"and which it is to be hoped was of material aid to them

"During the year past you have been
"called upon to meet some extraordinary expenses; The
"Institute Building has been repaired and beautified
"throughout at an expense of $2100.00; Taxes have been
"paid to the amount of $1884.00 and interest $726.35
"You have reduced the mortgaged debt $10,000 and have
"purchased books to the amount of $2536.00 with orders
"now being filled to the amount of about $3000.00 more,
"all Scientific and Mechanical Works and which should
"be on the shelves of your Library by the middle of April
"next;

"The following are the receipts and
"disbursements for thirteen months ending Feby 28th 1870,
"and for the more particular details of which I refer
"you to the very full report of the Committee on Ways
"Means and accounts.

Receipts

"Rents	$ 7493.88	
"Membership Collections	618.93	
"From Board of Managers Indus. Fair	20398.00	$ 34074.81
"Cash on hand Febs 1. 1869		226.46
Total -		$ 34301.27

Disbursements

"Books purchased	2535.74	
"Advertising	130.00	
"Salaries	3876.58	
"Furniture and Supplies	435.32	
"Petty Cash (principally Books)	574.35	
"Gas	1471.25	
"Water	168.00	
"Improvements and Repairs	1660.27	
"Insurance	509.00	
"Interest	726.35	
"Newspapers and Periodicals	66.23	
Carry forward	$ 19304.29	

March 3rd 1870

President's Annual Report Continued

Quarterly Meeting (Continued)

Disbursements (Continued)

"Carried forward	$1 03 04 29		
"Settlement with Mr Patton Archt	5 30 00		
"Filling up Certificates	11 00		
"Printing	20 17 5		
"Blank Books and Stationery	14 6 12		
"Taxes (2 years)	18 57 4 00		
"Binding Books	3 13 25		
"Sinking Fund (Constitution Sec 5 Sec 2, Art XIII)	5 43 11		
"Union Insurance Co on afc Mortgage	1000 0 00	32 92 35 2	
"Balance in Treasurers hands		1 37 7 75	
		$34 30 1 27	

"In addition to above balance of $137,75 there is in the "hands of the Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the "Seventh Industrial Exhibition $1 72 93 subject to unsettled "claims of about $1800 00. The books ordered from "Europe amounting to about $3000 00 have yet to be paid for.

The estimated assets and liabilities of "the Mechanics' Institute at the present day are Estimated "as follows:

"Assets"

"Lot on Post St	$70,000,00	
"Building	45000,00	
"Library	20000,00	
"Fixtures and furniture	0000,00	
"Cash in Treasurers Hands	1 37 7 75	142 37 7 75
"To which may be added:		
"Cash in name of Board of Managers	1 72 93	
"Value of Pavilion say	7000 00	14 17 2 93
"Total Assets		156 55 0 68

"Liabilities"

"Mortgage	$40,000 00	
"Sundry Bills audited	7 02 58	
" " unaudited	3 25 00	
"Books ordered from England say	3000 00	44 02 7 58
"Nett Assets		$112 52 8 10

"The new incorporation required that only the names of those "members in good standing on the 1st of December 1869, "should be entered on the Roll of the Society. Accordingly "no delinquent members at that date were entered in the "new Signature Book

March 3rd 1870

Presidents Annual Report

"My last report stated that there were 1399 members of the "Society in all; at this date we find memberships to stand "as follows:

"Enrolled and in good standing	977
"Life Members	12
"Honorary Members	6
"Delinquent Members	337
"Total Membership	1402

"It will be observed that there are 337 Delinquent Members "who owes from $4 50 to $10 50 each, it is highly important that "these delinquencies should be paid up, the ability of your "society to pay its current expenses depending upon the prompt "mess of payment of membership dues: The Committee on "Ways Means and accounts desire particularly to call "members attention to the above statement.

"The Committee on Books and Donations "has given much attention to the requirements of the Library "and large accessions have been made to the number and "value of the books in the Library, its effort being particu- "larly directed towards making the Scientific and Mechani- "cal portions of the Library Complete and up to the present "date:

"The number of Books in the Library March 1st 1869 was	12431
"Added Since	1919
Total	14350

"New Books Classified as follows:

"Science and Art	241
"Poetry	53
"Biography	33
"Philology	23
"Bound Periodicals	7
"Reports	117
"Fiction	906
"Travels	71
"Philosophy Essays &c	107
"Government	12
"Listory	131
"Wit and Humor	16
"Games	6
"Theology	27
"Medicine	3
"Law	3
"Encyclopedias	29
"Miscellaneous	32
"In all	1919

March 3rd/70

Presidents Annual Report

Quarterly Meeting (Continued)

Donations

"Pamphlets	18
"Reports	75
"General Literature	80
"Catalogues	9
"Maps and Plans	11
"State Papers	15
"Frames and Pictures	2
"U.S. Com^r Reports	2
"In all	212

"In addition to the above number of Volumes there has been "ordered from England about 1000 Volumes of Works of reference "of great Value, and which will add materially to the attrac- "tions of the Library

"The Committee on Library Rooms and "Buildings report the building in Excellent order. The "Lower Hall has been leased to Capt Blyth for two years "at 140 $ per month, reserving every Saturday for the use "of the Institute

"I would recommend that the Consti- "tution be so amended that the Quarterly meetings take "place on Saturday instead of Thursday as at present, "also that provision be made for Honorary Members.

"In Conclusion I would state that the "expenditures are fully equal to the receipts per month; "that if another Fair could be held we would then have a "margin over and above expenses to establish Classes and "improve our Libary

"That the average attendance in "the chess room is not over 6 persons which I do not believe "pays for the Gas Consumed it is a Question for you to decide "if it would not be as well to use that room as a Library of "Reference and Museum especially as there will be more "shelf room required for the Books to arrive

"The Trustees have sent for, and are "receiving Directories from all the Cities of importance in the "U.S. and Europe, so far 32 have been received, and it is "expected that all the important towns will be represented "and will be on the Shelves for the benefit of the Members"

(signed) "A.S. Hallidie"
"President"

March 3rd/70

Changeing Quarterly Meetings

"The foregoing Report was ordered received and printed

"Mr R.A. Marden moved and it was seconded, that from date the Quarterly Meetings of the Institute be called for Saturdays instead of Thursdays

"Motion Carried

Providing for Library of Reference

Some discussion was had in regard to abolishing Chess Room and changing same into a Library of Reference.
In this connection Mr R.A. Marden offered the following resol- ution which was seconded

"Resolved—

"That the rooms now used as a Chess Room be and is "hereby devoted to the uses of a Library of Reference, and that "the Board of Trustees of the Institute are hereby instructed "and empowered to make such alterations in the Building as "will secure said Library of reference from intrusion of persons "not members of the Institute, and for the proper security of "the Books contained therein"

"Motion Carried"

Adjourned:

H. C. Macy Sec pro tem

George Tandy
Secretary

March 15th/70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute

March 15th 1870

Pr President Hallidie in the Chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Davis, Gilmore, Herrick, Hancock, Scott, Wilcox

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous meeting March 1st were read and approved

Report Com: L. R & B. — Committee on Library, Rooms, and Building made their Annual Report as follows:

"San Francisco March 1st 1870

"To the Board of Trustees of the

"Mechanics' Institute"

Gentlemen:

"Yours Committee of "Library, Rooms and Building, beg leave to make the following "Report:

"For the last thirteen months ending "March 1st during said period of time certain expenses "have been deemed necessary for improvements and repairs "for the wants of the Institution and the Comfort of its members "They were well aware as the Institution had no surplus "funds, the strictest economy would be required, and "only what was required to be done creating indebted= "ness, was expended, until after the Fair opened, "It then seemed an urgent necessity that the Rooms "and Halls should be cleaned and whitened, some "Carpeting done, improvements and changes in the "Library and Lecture Rooms, and under the Area in "front for the wants of the Stores, all of which have been "done and the Building is in a very good Condition for some "time to come, excepting some slight incidental Expenses

"The following amounts have been "paid in the Building:

"For improvements and Repairs	$1660.24
" " Furniture and supplies	435.52
" " Gas	1471.25
" " Water	168.00
Total Amount	$3735.04
"Receipts from Rents	7493.88

March 15th/70

Report of Com: L. R & B.

"The Rent Receipt would have been larger, had the Board not "Contemplated making a change in the Tenancy of the Lecture "Room which change your Honorable Board and the "Institute Members must be aware has great advantages "to the Institution in respectability and increase of member= "ship: "There have been some valuable "additions to the Pictures in the Reading Room of three "valuable Photographs, Pictures of Rome, also the addition "of a beautiful Clock over the Library Doors in Case "presented by James Lick Esqr. The pictures were pre= "sented by Col C.L. Taylor.

"During the past year the Reading "Room has been opened at 7 o'clock in the morning, thus "affording the members an hour before Commencing work "to read the morning papers, and with it large Collec= "tion of papers and periodicals making our Reading "Room one of the best in the city; At the recom= "mendation of the former Board the Rooms have been "closed at 10 o'clock P.M. which has made some "saving in Gas

"In Committe (Signed) W. C. Macy
J. Browning

The foregoing Report was ordered received and placed on file

Lodge Room Water Closets — Mr Macy on behalf of Committee on Library, Rooms and Building and to whom the matter had been referred, reported having had the Water Closets in Connection with Lodge Room (Lower Hall) cleaned and repaired, at an outlay of Two Dollars. Also in regard to Déséchands and gas fixtures in disputed ownership, the matter had not yet been arranged

Déséchands Gas fixtures

The Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts presented their Annual Report which was read, approved and accepted and ordered spread upon the minutes as follows:

Annual Financial Report

"Annual Financial Report"

"of Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts"

San Francisco Cal March 1st 1870

"To the President and Board of Trustees of

"Mechanics Institute"

"Gentlemen:

March 15th/70

Regular Meeting (Continued)

(Financial Report)

"In accordance with the By-Laws of the Institute your Committee present their annual Report for thirteen months ending Feby 28th 1870

The amount of Cash in Treasurers hands Feby 1st 1869 was $226.46

Amount received from all sources to March 1st 1870 $34074.81

Total $34301.27

Expenditures from Feby 1st 1869 to March 1st 1870 32923.52

Balance on hand March 1st 1870 1377.75

Annual Report of Committee on Ways Means & Accounts

The above does not include the amount still in the Treasurers hands from the 7th Industrial Fair, and not yet transferred to the Institute fund, nor the estimated value of the Pavilion

The Receipts for the 13 months have been from the following sources:

Rents	$7493.88	
Collections from Members	6182.93	
Transferred from 7th Ind. Fair	20398.00	
Total Receipts		34074.81
On hand Feby 1st 1869		226.46
		34301.27

The Expenditures have been as follows viz:

Books	2535.74	
Advertising	130.00	
Salaries	3876.35	
Furniture and Supplies	435.52	
Petty Cash	564.55	
Gas	1471.25	
Water	168.00	
Improvements and Repairs	1660.27	
Insurance	509.00	
Interest	4261.35	
Newspapers and Periodicals	662.23	
Old claims of Wm Patten	530.00	
Filling Certificates of Life Members	11.00	
Carry forward	19855.46	

March 15th/70	Receipts Carried forward		34301.27
	Expenditures Carried forward	$19855.46	
	Printing	201.75	
	Blank Books and Stationery	146.12	
	Tapes	188.00	
	Book Binding	313.25	
	Notes	10,000.00	
	Sinking Fund	543.11	
	Lectures	9.80	
		32923.52	
	Amount of Receipts Brought down	34301.27	1377.75
	Cash on hand March 1st 1870	1377.75	

Annual Report of Committee on Ways Means & Accounts

The average monthly Receipts not including Amount transferred from 7th Industrial Fair

From Rents	576.45	
" Collections from Members	476.61	
	$1053.06	1053.06

The average monthly Expenses have been as follows:

For Books	203.00
" Advertising	10.00
" Salaries	300.00
" Furniture & Supplies	33.50
" Petty Cash	43.50
" Gas	113.17
" Water	12.00
" Improvements and Repairs	127.71
" Insurance	39.15
" Interest	55.856
" Newspapers and periodicals	8.094
" Printing	15.37
" Blank Books and Stationery	11.24
" Tapes	14.261
" Book Binding	24.09
Total Average Monthly Expenses	1684.98
" " " Receipts	1052.06
Monthly Expenditures above Rects	632.92

March 15th/70

Regular Meeting (Continued)

Financial Report

Annual Report of Committee on Ways Means & Accounts

"Comment is unnecessary, as the statement must necessarily
"cause instant attention and it certainly demands it.
"There are some items not included in
"the above expenses which would swell the amount but as
"they may not necessarily occur the present year they are
"omitted; One is 10 per cent of gross Receipts placed to Credit
"of sicking fund, also old claim of Wm Patton amounting to
"330 dollars. With the present orders for books
"in view the monthly average for that item will probably
"be increased to 300 dollars per month. The advertising
"perhaps can not be decreased, neither can the Salaries,
"Furniture and supplies may be decreased 200 dollars,
"Petty Cash some but not much as most of the items in
"that head are amounts paid for periodicals and newspapers
"Gas can hardly be decreased at the present price per thous-
"and – Water none – Improvements and repairs probably
"250 dollars – Insurance none; Interest can probably
"be reduced 175 dollars, Newspapers and periodicals will
"probably be increased somewhat; Printing perhaps
"can be reduced some, also Blank Books and Stationery 100 dol-
"lars;
"Our taxes are enormous for a Public
"institution and it is hoped that a material reduction may
"be made, say 75 dollars, Book binding is a necessary
"expense and may be perhaps increased.
"Our Receipt from members are as
"above stated 475.64 which would show about 950 pay-
"ing members. We have a much larger number then
"that on the register and many of whom have been allow
"ed the use of the Library and Reading Room of the Insti-
"tute while they were still in arrears for dues.
"Your committee is having a list of delinquent members
"made and will present suggestions for the collection of
"back dues, and their more prompt payment in future
"Your Committee have in progress and
"well under way the opening of a new set of Books of finances
"and would state that in order to lessen expense the labor
"is being done by the Librarian, which will require some
"further time as the work is being done at times not occu-
"pied in other necessary duties in the Library Room
"It is hoped that all will assist in
"spreading abroad the generous benefits of the Mechanics
"Institute, that our numbers may be increased and

March 15th/70

Annual Report of Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

"also the Receipts, which is a matter of the first importance
"Your Committee would call the
"attention of the Board to the necessity of some definite
"rule or system in the matter of auditing bills;
"At present many bills are presented during the session
"of the Board and necessarily they cannot have the scr-
"utiny to which a proper care for the interest of the Ins-
"titute would subject them;
"We would recommend that all bills except Salary
"Interest, Water and Gas, should be required to be pres
"ented at least three days before the first and third
"Tuesday in each month, that the various Committees
"may have sufficient time to examine and approve or
"reject; If this were done your Committee would
"not have to spend the principal part of each meeting
"in endorsing and making memoranda which they
"consider necessary
"Respectfully Submitted"
"W. W. Haus Com"
"D. K. Coleman"
"Wm C. Pease."

From Febru

		Books	Advertising	Salaries	From Sup
March	1869	407 49	6 50	300 00	
April	"	128 32	10 00	300 00	
May	"	133 07	36 60	291 33	
June	"	35 00	23 25	306 67	
July	"	120 00		300 00	
August	"		5 50	300 00	
September	"	9 00		300 00	
October	"	30 00	11 50	300 00	1
November	"	448 83	9 00	280 00	
December	"	424 11	9 25	300 00	1
January	1870	604 15	7 00	298 33	
February	"	156 06	11 50	300 00	
February	1869	60 00		300 25	
		2555 74	130 00	3876 58	4

March 15th 70

Annual Report of Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

"also the Receipts, which is a matter of the first importance
"Your Committee would call the
"attention of the Board to the necessity of some definite
"rule or system in the matter of auditing bills;
"At present many bills are presented during the session
"of the Board and necessarily they cannot have the scr-
"utiny to which a proper care for the interest of the Ins-
"titute would subject them;
"We would recommend that all bills except Salary
"Interest, Water and Gas, should be required to be pres
"ented at least three days before the first and third
"Tuesday in each month, that the various Committees
"may have sufficient time to examine and approve or
"reject; If this were done your Committee would
"not have to spend the principal part of each meeting
"in endorsing and making memoranda which they
"Consider necessary

"Respectfully Submitted"
"W. W. Haus Com"
"D. K. Coleman"
"Wm C. Pease."

From February 1st 1869 to March 1st 1870

Disbursements

	Books	Advertising	Salaries	Furniture & Supplies	Petty Cash	Gas	Water	Improvements & Repairs	Insurance	Interest	Newspapers & Periodicals	Old Claims	Certificates	Printing	Blank Bks & Stationery	Taxes	Binding	Int. on Mortgage Notes	Sinking Fund	Total
March 1869	40749	650	30000	2225	1670	31515	1200	3885	11350	100000	1300				—					224044
April "	12832	1000	30000	—	3635	24500	1200	—			—	25000	400	1400	2402					102369
May "	13307	3650	24133	1400	6617		1200	3238			4875			400	3600					67220
June "	3500	2325	30667		5088	10810	1200	1250			—			350	1650	85300				142140
July "	12000		30000		3140	9200	1200	2290			1300			3850	—	18480				81467
August "		550	30000	762	4160	7500	1200	—			—			600	650					45422
September "	900		30000				—	54842		100000	—	30000		—	—		11175			226917
October "	3000	1150	30000	17300	2815	14600	—	15300		200000	—			—	—	81620				365985
November "	44883	900	28000		7960		2400	6640		89800	44598			750	—		8700	1000000		1239607
December "	42411	925	30000	14725	2548	19700	2400	12025	39550	156385	5425			4625	550		4400			335619
January 1870	60415	700	29833	1600	7385	14000	1200	54947		40000	2625			5300	660		7050		22561	248276
February "	15606	1150	30000	3425	8997	15300	—	6500		40000	1300			1600	1400				31700	157028
February 1869	6000		30025	2115	3420		3600	5410		—	—		700	1300	3700					56270
	255574	13000	387658	43552	57435	147125	16800	166027	50900	726131	66223	55000	1100	20175	14612	185480	31325	10000000	54311	3292352

Receipts

	Rents	Collections	Industrial Fair	Total
	53500	109740		163240
	62500	18635		81135
	58000	18617		76617
	58000	92955		150955
	58000	41053		99053
	51500	4160		55660
	50500	23010	100000	173510
	67500	72000	200000	339500
	59000	29210	1089800	1178010
	53000	70448	400000	523448
	59000	48423		107423
	45500	22017	250000	317517
	73388	68025		141413
	749388	618293	2089800	3407481

Cash on hand Feby 1st 1869 — 22646
Receipts from all sources to March 1st 1870 — 340754
Expended from Feby 1st 1869 to March 1st 1870 — 343072
Cash on hand March 1st 1870 — 329235
13771 75

W. W. Haus Com } Committee
D. K. Coleman } on
Wm C. Pease } Ways & Means

March 15th/70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Bills — The Committee on Ways Means and Accounts reported the following Bills approved recommending that the same be paid

Frost and Richards	Glass setting	2	6	00
N. F. Cunham	4 Lights and painting table		6	70
F. Seregni	Filling sundry Certificates &c		7	50
Jhn Pardy	Clerking special Committee		5	00
S. F. Bulletin	Advtg Meeting & Card	1	6	00
S. F. Water Wks	Water for March	1	2	00
	Total	$	7	320

Ordered that the foregoing Bills be paid in usual manner

W. H. Moore Books — Committee on Books and Donations reported adversely to the purchase of Books offered to Institute by Mr W. H. Moore, on the grounds that said books were not particularly desirable for our wants

Report accepted and adopted

Com. Lec. & Classes — Committee on Lectures and Classes granted further time to report.

Chess Room — The matter of proposed change of Chess Room into a Library of Reference came up for discussion and upon motion it was temporarily laid on the Table

Advertisment Card — Ordered that the Standing Card of advertising published in city papers be discontinued from date

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

March 29th/70 — Special Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
March 29th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Davis, Hancock and Gilmore

Minutes — Minutes of previous meeting March 15th were read and approved

Special Order announced — Mr President Hallidie announced that the meeting was called to consider matters in relation to proposed alterations and additions to Chess rooms to provide for a Library room of reference, and to transact such other business as might be brought forward

Considered — It being moved and seconded that the matter of providing for a Library room of reference be considered, the motion was "Carried"

Chess Room alterations — Afterwards a lengthy discussion was had upon the subject and several plans were offered and duly considered, and the one seemingly the most feasible was proposed by the committee on Library Rooms and Building through their chairman Mr Macy and is in substance embodied in the following:
Moved by Mr Pardy and seconded
That a Library room of reference be provided — By partitioning off Chess Room by a North and South partition extending from front wall of Building to the line of north wall of Directors Room — removing partition wall dividing chess room from landing at Ladies entrance to Library, — closing present Ladies stairway and occupying the landing as part of said reference room, leaving eastern half of Chess room for its present uses; And also that the necessary shelving and other furniture be provided, the whole alterations and provisions not to exceed $800 in cost
Motion "Carried"

Same — Mr Britton moved and it was seconded that the Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, be instructed to have Specifications prepared, and obtain estimates of Cost of proposed alterations in accordance with the foregoing resolution, and to report at next meeting, said service to be performed without incurring charges
Motion "Carried"

Prior's Bill — Mr President Hallidie stated that Mr J. K. Prior had Called

over

March 29th/70 — Special Meeting (Continued)

Prior's Bill — upon him and requested a settlement of his account, and referred his request to the board for action
After some discussion it was.
Moved and seconded that the matter of Mr Prior's claims be referred to Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, with instructions to report at next Meeting, with recommendations
Motion Carried

Eastern Star Lodge — Special Committee appointed to receive members of the order of the Eastern Star at Library Rooms in accordance with the invitation extended by the Board, reported that the members of the Lodge had visited the rooms of the Library on the evening of March 14th inst and that the visit had been interesting and in all respects satisfactory
Report accepted and Committee discharged

Adjourned:

George Landy
Secretary

Eastern Star Lodge — Memo: Special Committee to receive Eastern Star Lodge was informally appointed at a meeting of the Board of Managers of 7th Industrial Exhibition see records of said Board

Evs. Pardy Secretary

April 5th/70 — Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
April 5th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Rease and Scott

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting March 29th were read and approved

Chess Rooms alterations — Committee on Library Rooms and Building, reported plans and Specifications, and two estimates of cost for proposed alterations to Chess Rooms to accommodate Library of reference,
Upon motion of Mr Davis the report was accepted and the bids ordered opened

Bids for same — Upon opening the bids they were found to be as follows:-
C. L. Tilden's bid $500 work to be done according to plans and Specifications.
Robt Ewing's bid $500 same conditions
Upon motion the choice of the Board was designated by ballott Mr Tilden receiving five votes and Mr Ewing six votes.
Accordingly the contract was awarded to Mr Ewing.

Prior's Bill — In the matter of the disputed bill of Mr Prior the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts to whom the matter had been referred reported therein as follows:- The report being read, accepted and ordered spread upon the minutes

Report in matter of J. K. Prior's Bill

San Francisco Cal
April 5th/70

"To the
"President & Board of Trustees
"of Mechanics' Institute

"The Committee on Ways,
"Means and accounts to whom was referred the bill
"of John K. Prior for making and erecting the gas illuminating letters Mechanics' Institute 7th Industrial
"Fair Beg leave to report as follows:-
"That by resolution of the Board
"of Managers of above Fair at meeting of board August
"19th 1869 - the committee on Decoration were directed
"to report a plan of decorations with estimates at the next
"meeting.

April 5th/70

Report on Prior's Bill

Regular Meeting (Continued)

"At the next meeting 24th of August Mr Macy Chairman "of the Committee reported a plan to place at the west end "of the Building, the word "Mechanics' Institute 7th In= "dustrial Fair 1869" Illuminated with gas and the "estimate for which was about $250 dollars as received "from Mr Howard at John K. Prior's – On motion of Mr "Davis the Committee were allowed to proceed with the "above decoration at a cost not to exceed $300

"When the bill for the above work was "rendered it was $310.62 which was so much in excess of "the estimate that it could not be allowed –

"The matter was refered to a Special "Committee, but as no proposition was received from Mr Prior "no settlement was arrived at, so the Committee were discharged

"In order that the present Committee "might inform themselves as fully as possible as to all sides "of the matter they met Mr Prior & Mr Howard by appointment "and from the latter received substantially the following "statement:– That Mr Macy alone called on Mr "Howard on the 24th of August 1869 and requested him "to make an estimate of the cost of the letters or words "Mechanics Institute" giving the size of the letters as 2ft "in height and that as Mr Prior had estimated on the cost "of the same letters for the fair of 1868 he could probably "tell him what that estimate would be for the present "fair; That Mr Howard said that he could not "give an estimate in so short time as Mr Macy desired "and that Mr Macy insisted on his giving an approximate "estimate – some where near – but he could not tell– "as no sketch was made giving him any idea of the "arrangement of the letters – but on being refreshed "in his memory by the Book-keeper he recollected that "he did say to Mr Macy that it would cost somewhere "from 300 to 375 dollars, and any less than 375 dollars "which it cost, the Managers of the Fair should have "the benefit of – That the next morning Mr H. met "Mr Hallidie who informed him that the Board had "authorized the work to be done – and that he imme= "diately telegraphed to Mr Prior who was then in New "York for 10 dozen tips and in the afternoon he went "to Mr Macy's office who then gave him a paper with "the words "Mechanics' Institute 7th Industrial Fair "1869", but that he said nothing about the extra expense

April 5th/70

Report on Prior's Bill

"of the additional words but immediately telegraphed for the extra "number of tips required – that no change was made in the "size of the letters and all were made of the same size;

"Mr Macy and Mr Coleman state as "follows:– That on the afternoon of the 24th of August they "called on Mr Howard and that a sketch was made show= "ing the general arrangement of the letters and Mr Howard "suggested the height of some of the letters to be 3ft and "others 2ft and that Mr H. used the sketch to reckon the "number of letters and that he made figures and stated "that the letters would cost about 250 dollars, perhaps "some more & perhaps some less and reported the facts "to the Board of Managers as above stated–

"It may be stated that the "heights of the letters and figures are as follows:–

"Mechanics Institute"	8ft high
"7th"	18" "
"Industrial Fair	2.ft "
"1869"	2ft "

"Your Committee with the knowledge of the above called "on Mr J. K. Prior by appointment on Tuesday April 5th and "after stating to Mr Prior their opinion of the matter de= "duced from the statements of the various parties consulted "said they would recommend the Managers to pay the sum "of Three Hundred dollars, and then asked Mr Prior whe= "ther he would accept the same, he stated that he "would only take the cost of the work which he put "at about 600 dollars or leave the cost of the work "to arbitration which your Committee declined to accede "to as they considered the matter of Contract and not "as to whether the work cost more or less–

"Your Committee then asked Mr Prior if he would "split the difference between 300 & 600 dollars but "he declined that, then asked him if he would take "500 dollars, he declined, also 530 $ with same result "so your Committee can only state in Conclusion that "they are satisfied that 300 $ only should be paid "to Mr Prior for his work and material on the gas "illuminated letters at the Pavilion

"Respectfully submitted"

W. W. Hansom
D. R. Coleman

April 5th 70 — Regular Meeting (Continued)

Bills Paid — Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following bills approved recommending the same be paid

D. Charnay	1 Art pour tous	700
C. Beach	Books	1159
A. Roman & Co	Books	2322
H. H. Bancroft & Co	Books	6141
E. Bosqui & Co	Printing Cards of Notice &c	22 50
Cubery & Co	Printing Constitution &c	11700
Spaulding & Barto	Printing letter heads &c	1050
W. W. Keyser	Subscription to Bulletin	22 50
D. Hicks & Co	Binding	8000
W. D. Loomis	Periodicals	40792
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Feby	11150
Geo Milne Clark	fixing gas Cocks	500
S. F. Chronicle	Advertising	1950
F. McCrellish & Co	Advertising	2700
Librarians Petty Cash	Sundries	8065
H. Steiglitz	Salary for March	6000
G. P. Coleman	Salary for March	10000
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for March	15000
Union Insurance Co	Renewal of Policy	11350
	Total	$1380 79

Ordered that the foregoing bills be paid in usual manner

A Bill of Prins paid — After some discussion a Bill of Mr Prins amounting to $117 26/100 was taken from the table and finally ordered paid

B. Quaritch Books — Committee on Books and Donations reported second invoice of Books received from Mr B. Quaritch, London, amounting to £201. 11.10 Moved to refer the same to the Board of Managers for payment Motion Carried

Committee on Lectures and classes had no report to offer

Carpenters League Rent — Committee on Library, Rooms and Building through Mr Macy reported request from Carpenters Eight hour League to reduce their rent to $37.50 per month A motion to reduce the same as per request was "Lost"

Treasurers Mch Report — Treasurers Report for March was read and ordered referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

Committee on Ways, Means and accounts reported back Treasurers Report for Feby, Correct. the same being accepted, approved, and ordered spread upon the minutes as follows:

Treasurer's Report for February

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for February 1870

Receipts		
Amount received on a/c of Rent	455 00	
Amount received on a/c of Collections	22017	
Amount transferred from 1st Industrial Fair	250000	
Total	317517	317517

Disbursements		
Amount due Treasurer as per Report of January	22664	
S.F. Bulletin for Advertising	400	
Wm T. J. Winship for fixtures	650	
Women's Co-op. Union Printing	800	
H. Steiglitz Salary for January	5000	
G. C. Hurlbut Petty Cash	8017	
G. P. Coleman Salary for January	10000	
G. C. Hurlbut " " "	15000	
H. P. Tonlay Coal	1600	
S. F. Gas Co Gas for Dec 1869	15300	
Alta Carrier Subscription to Alta	1300	
C. M. Plum trimmings	475	
Bancroft & Co Books	900	
Glupas & Dutton Record Books	1400	
Cubery & Co Printing	800	
S. F. Chronicle Advertising	750	
H. H. Moore Books	10525	
Union Ins Co Interest to Mch 9	400 00	
R. A. Fisher Expenses on Lecture	980	
Bancroft & Co Books	41 87	
J. F. Pages Seal & Press	1350	
Sinking Fund 10 p/c of Receipts	31750	
Total	179692	179692
Leaving balance in Treasury this date		137825

San Francisco March 1 1870

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas

April 5th/70

Regular Meeting (Continued)

The Librarian's Report for March was read and ordered received and spread upon the minutes as follows:

Librarians Report for March

"Librarian's Report for March"

"To the Board of Trustees
"of the Mechanics' Institute

"Gentlemen:

"I beg leave to make the following "report for the month of March

"Amount received for initiation fees	38.00
" " " for visiting fees	3.00
" " " for dues collected	936.00
" " " for Rents	566.50
	$1543.50

"The following new members have been received:

"F. E. Durand	Charles Byrne.	J. K. Rule
"James Clark	Wm M. Feney	Frederick Hillard
"Miss Kate Bonnell	Thos Rowlandson	Charles Vane
"William Greaves	George Cantrell	Edward Pollock
"James L. Fields	A. Macdonald,	Wm W. H. Hepburn
"Sam H. Kent	John A. Titcomb	Wm Chas H. Barth
"Chas H. Barth	Nicholas Strahan	Francis V. White
"Wm A. M. Mordy	Thos C. Baker	Wm L. F. Holtz
"Alphonse Luttringer	William Foye	Samuel S. Sprague
"George Bramall	Jacob Price	Wm Sumner Hill
"J. F. Earle	Thos Harrison	B. C. Mulvey
"E. W. Tucker	Jno S. Stuart Forbes	V. Newmark
"C. N. Grub	S. P. Ford	in all 38

"The following have withdrawn from the Institute:
"George Hodges D. W. Klein, Jacob Bacon
"C. F. Jones and Henry Kimball

"There have been paid during the month the following arrearages:

"W. Attwood $6.00	F. H. Attwood $6.00	Jno Keane $7.00
"J. H. Atkinson $4.50	J. M. Telfer $6.00	W. F. Kellett $6.00
"C. H. Stenyan $9.00	J. T. Morgan $4.50	D. W. Klein $6.00 (leaving still due $6.50)
"J. Cahill $6.00	T. H. Way $6.00	W. D. Hooker $6.00
"Nils Hoadly $9.00	John Fay $10.50	W. R. Tucker $6.00
"G. Ferguson $7.50	C. P. White $9.00	

April 5th 70

Librarian's Report for March

"There have been added to the Library by purchase sixty six volumes "classified as follows: Fiction 33, Wit and Humor 1, Theology 2 "Travel 2, Philosophy & Essays 8, Biography 7 History 4 "Games 1, Science and Art 8; in all 66.
"No Donations were received.
"I would respectfully suggest that arrangements be made to have "the new publications forwarded directly to the Institute from "New York. The Library is now supplied by the local "Booksellers at a cost certainly equal to the eastern prices "with the addition of the freight; and there is often an "unaccountable delay in the receipt of new books in this "market. Most of the new romances and essays are "essentially ephemeral and it is not for the interest of the "booksellers here to supply them to the Libraries, while they "are yet new to the public.

All of which is respectfully submitted

"San Francisco S. C. Herbert
"April 2nd 1870 Librarian

Action on Report

"Action on foregoing Report:
"New Members as per above report were duly accepted.
Old Members reported having paid up arrearages were ordered received as members in good standing.
Suggestion by Librarian in reference to purchase of books in New York was referred to Committee on Books and Donations.

Delinquent Members

Committee on Ways, Means and accounts, presented a list of Members in arrears, and recommended that members of the Board review the list and select such members therefrom with whom they may may have acquaintance with a view to influencing them to pay up arrearages:

The consideration of the above matter was made a special order for Thursday April 7th 1870— to which date the Board then "Adjourned"

George Fardy
Secretary

April 7th/70

Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
April 7th 1870

Wm Prest Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Davis, Gilmore, Herrick, Hancock and Pease

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
Memo. From Decr 13th the minutes as entered in this Book have been transcribed from a Blotter, from which Blotter the minutes were read to the Board for their approval: It being deemed informal to approve said minutes as read from the Blotter previous to their being finally transcribed into this Record Book, the said Blotter not having the regular or Special Reports inserted therein, it was,
Moved and seconded that the Minutes shall Contain the full and Complete record including reports ordered spread thereon before being presented for the approval of the Board
Motion Carried and so Ordered

Delinquent Members — The Board then took into Consideration the matter of Delinquent Members, a List of whom was read to the Board by Mr Hanscom of Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

"By resolution of the Board the following named being largely in arrears were considered to have withdrawn and accordingly their names were ordered erased from the record, as follows:

William Bausman	P. O. Malley	C. H. Bartlett
Robt. Pritchard	C. B. Grant	P. M. Randall
E. C. Sanford	J. Sivenoaks	W. L. L. Moulton
P. L. Sullivan	Richd McAllister	Thos W. Temple
G. P. McCarty		

Moved and seconded that the matter of providing for Collection of dues from remaining Delinquent Members be referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts with power
Carried

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Secretary

April 16th/70

Special Meeting Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
April 16th 1870

Wm Prest Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Browning, Hanscom, Hancock, Herrick Pease & Scott

Object of Meeting — Wm President Hallidie stated that the meeting had been called to take action in the matter of providing for transfer of Pavilion building to parties representing Real Estate property owners on Union Square in trust, as guarantee to ensure the removal of said Building at a specified time for the purpose of inducing said property owners to withdraw their opposition to the petition of the Mechanics Institute and Citizens generally presented to and praying the Board of Supervisors to grant an extension of lease of Union Square and to transact such other business as might be brought forward

Transfer of Pavilion (in trust) — Mr Britton moved the following resolution

"Resolved: The President and Secretary are hereby authorized and empowered to deed the Pavilion Building on Union Square to H. F. Gates and H. P. Coon, in trust for the purpose of placing that property in their hands the better to carry out the agreement of the Mechanics' Institute to remove said Pavilion from Union Square by the 1st day of Novr 1871
Seconded and Carried unanimously

Stoddart New York loan — Wm Prest Hallidie stated that Mr W. F. Stoddart had proposed his agency to negotiate a loan in sum to suit, from parties in New York at 9 p% interest per annum, with view to transfer of mortgage debt of Institute; and that he had agreed subject to the action of the Board, to allow Mr Stoddart one half of one per cent on net amount borrowed as his Commission:
Moved and seconded that the action of the President be approved, the terms mentioned being assented to by the Board
Motion Carried

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Secretary

April 19th/70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
April 19th 1870

Mr Prest Halldie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Davis, Gilmore, Sherrick, Hancock, Pease and Scott

Minutes — Minutes of two previous meetings of April 7th & 16th were read from Blotter and approved

Reports — Report being called for:
Committee on Library, Rooms and Building had no report to offer

Water Closets — Mr Coleman asked the Committee if they could recommend a plan to prevent the unpleasant smell arising from front basement Water Closets.
The Committee thought the matter difficult to avoid but promised to give it Consideration:
Mr Hancom moved and it was seconded that the matter be referred to the Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, with full power, excepting that it be understood no expense is to be incurred
Motion carried

Committee on Lectures and Classes had no report to offer

Bills to be Paid — Committee on Ways, Means and accounts reported the following bills approved recommending the same be paid

Spring Valley Water Co	Water for April	$12.00
H.H. Bancroft & Co	Books	6.00
Alta Carries	subscription to Alta	15.00
A. Roman & Co	Books {8.63 / 11.15}	19.78
	Total	$52.78

Ordered that the foregoing bills be paid in usual manner

Delinquent Members — Same Committee reported that in the matter of delinquent members, that the address of nearly all had been obtained and that the bills were being made out by Librarian

Treasurers Report for March — Same Committee reported back Treasurers Report for March correct, which was ordered received, approved, and spread upon the Minutes, as follows:—

April 16th/70

Treasurers Report for March

Treasurer's Report for March

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for March 1870"

"Receipts

"Balance in Treasury March 1		$137 8 25
"Received on a/c of Rent		566 50
" " " Collections		940 00
	Total	$2884 74

Disbursements

"Amount paid		
"San Francisco Bulletin	for Advertising	27 75
"A. Roman & Co"	" Books	85 60
"G.C. Hurlbut	" Petty Cash	41 20
"H. Steglitz	" Salary for Feb'y	60 00
"G.F. Coleman	" " "	100 00
"G.C. Hurlbut	" " "	150 00
"J.T. Bowers	" old claim 1866 Fair	6575
"S.F. Chronicle	" Advertising	700
"Spaulding and Barto	" Printing	700
"C. Beach	" Books	1512
"J.H. O'Brien	" Plumbing	550
"D. Keith	" Binding	3576
"H.H. Bancroft & Co"	" Books	3901
"J. McCrellish & Co"	" Advertising	700
"Bernard Quaritch	" Books	139200
"M. Quinn	" Whitening Walls	1400
"Jas L. Fields	" Engrossing	1600
"S.F. Gas Co	" Gas for Jany	12350
"S.V. Water Works Co	" Water for Jan, Feb & Mch	3600
"Frost and Richards	" setting glass	2600
"John Lynch	" Services	500
"W.F. Cunham	" setting glass	670
"F. Seregni	" filling Certificates	750
"D. Charpiay	" Books	8590
"Union Ins Co	" Interest to Apl 9	400 00
"Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	150 65
	Do Tax	$3702.53

"Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $817 78

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

San Francisco
March 31st 1870

April 19th/70

Regular Meeting (Continued

Pavilion & Union Square

Wm. President Hallidie announced that he had Consulted further with the property owners in regard to Pavilion matters and that matters relating thereto were still in abeyance

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

May 3rd 70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
May 3rd 1870

Wm. President Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs. Browning, Herrick, Hancock, Macy & Pease

Minutes — Minutes of previous meeting April 19th were read from Blotter and approved

Reports — Reports of Standing Committees

Committee on Library, Rooms & Buildings. No report

Committee on Books and Donations No report

Committee on Lectures and Classes reported satisfactory progress

Committee on Ways, Means and accounts reported following bills approved recommending the same be paid

Bills to be Paid

Librarian's Petty Cash		$ 40 36
Jacob Browning	amt paid for New Halyard	5 00
S.G. Herbut	Salary for April	150 00
G.P. Colemans	Salary for April	100 00
W. Sliegliz	Salary for April	60 00
Britton & Rey	Certificate of Life Membership	25 00
S.F. Gas Co (ordered pd by Board)	Gas for March	121 50
	Total	501 86

Ordered that the foregoing bills be paid in usual manner

Treasurer's Report for April — Treasurers Report for April was read and ordered referred to Committee on Ways Means & Accounts

Librarian's Report for April — Librarians Report for April was read and ordered received and spread upon the minutes as follows:

Librarian's Report for April

To the Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen:

Allow me to submit the following report for the month of April:

May 3rd/70

Librarian's Report

Regular Meeting (Continued)

Librarian's Report (continued)

Received for dues Collected	221	75
" " Initiation fees	24	50
" " Visitors Mnthly Ticket	3	00
" " Rent	520	00
	$769	25

Twenty five new members have joined the Institute viz:

Champlin Lyon	Otto Lindeu	William Ultey
J. D. Brown	F. R. Lochman	Richard Savage
Wm McDonald	W. Hammond Hall	W. H. Phelan
Chas A. Dunn	Josiah Rice	C. P. Terhune
E. J. Blanding	A. G. Bassett	Mrs Nellie A Hicks
Joseph Booth	Robert Martin	Louis Maillot
Mr J. O. Williams	Mrs M. E. Bridges	John Foley
Wm Corcoran	Geo Hovey	Mrs F. V. Holmes
	David Strong	

There have been added to the Library by purchase sixty five volumes, classified as follows: Fiction 48, Wit & Humor 2, Theology 1, Essays 7, History 3, Science 2, Poetry 2

Mr A. D. Piper has presented to the Library a bound copy of a pamphlet on "Bolivian Almisation"

In accordance with instructions from the Board I addressed a letter to Harper Bros and D. Appleton & Co, New York, inquiring on what terms they would furnish the new publications to the Institute. I enclose a Copy of this letter, together with the answers received.

The Janitor has asked me to lay before the Board his application for an increase of salary, his present pay being really insufficient; so far as fidelity and efficiency give him a claim on the Institute, his request is no more than fair, for he thoroughly discharges his duty.

All of which is respectfully submitted

Geo. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
May 3rd 1870

Action on above Report:

New Members as per foregoing report were duly accepted

Janitors Salary $70 per mo

Moved and seconded that the Janitors salary be increased to ($70) Seventy dollars per month.

Carried unanimously

Communication from Chas Babb

A Communication from Mr Chas Babb addressed to Board of Trustees relating to the unworkmanlike manner in which Fair Reports were printed, was read, in which protest was made against the same parties having any more work given them by the Institute

Ordered received and placed on file

Election Notice

Moved by Mr Hauscom that a notice of election be published in accordance with Section 3 of Article 9 of the Constitution

Motion Carried

Moved and seconded that the advertisement of election notice (as before) be inserted in four daily papers

Amended to "two" daily papers

Amendment Carried

Moved and seconded that the Chronicle and Bulletin be the papers in which the before named notice of election shall be published

Motion Carried

Adjournment

Mr Hauscom moved and it was seconded that a Special Meeting of the Institute be called for Monday May 16th 1870 for the purpose of appointing a nominating Committee

Motion Carried

Moved that when we adjourn it be till Tuesday May 10th/70 for the purpose of selecting Election officers for ensuing election

Motion Carried

Adjourned

George Tandy
Secretary

May 10th/70

Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
May 10th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the Chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Davis, Gilmore, Herrick, Scott, Wilcox, Hancock

Minutes — Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

Election Officers — Mr President Hallidie announced that the next business in order would be the election of a Board of Judges for the ensuing election.
Accordingly it was moved and seconded that nominations for Judges of election be made
Motion Carried
Twelve nominations were made when a motion to close the nominations was "Carried"

The Board then proceeded to ballot for choice, when upon the second balloting the following named were declared elected

Judges of Election — Board of Judges:
Messrs T. B. Julian
Cornelius Holmes
G. W. Guion

By resolution the Board then proceeded to make nominations for clerks of Election
Three nominations were made when a motion to close nominations was "Carried"

The Board then proceeded to ballot for choice, when upon the first balloting the following named were declared elected:

Clerks of Election — Clerks of election
Messrs Williams Westgate
John P. Bering

Stoddarts Proposed Loan — Mr President Hallidie announced that the efforts made by Mr W. P. Stoddart to negotiate a loan in New York in favor of the Institute at 8½ % had not been successful, inasmuch as a higher rate of interest would be demanded under the circumstances of the case (see letter on file G.P.)

May 10th/70 — Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, reported the completion of the alterations to Chess Room, to provide for a Library of reference and recommended that side gas lights be provided at south end in Library of Reference

Side Lights for Library of Refce

Report received
Moved and seconded that the Committee on Library Rooms and Building be authorized to procure side gas lights for south end of Library of Reference
Motion Carried

Furniture &c for Library of Reference — Moved and seconded that the Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, be granted power to procure the necessary furniture as carpet, chairs table &c, for Library of reference
Moved and seconded to amend this motion by limiting the amount to be expended for this purpose to $135.00 / One Hundred and thirty five dollars
Amendment Carried
Original Motion Carried as Amended

Vacated Store Relet — In answer to inquiry Mr Macy stated that the store in building lately occupied by Mr Deniehaud had been vacated by him without notice, and that the Store had been again lette another party (Jno O'Donnell)

Bills Paid — Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following Bills approved recommending that the same be paid

San Francisco Gas Co	Gas for April	$3,00
Robt Ewing	Alteration to Chess Room	$03,00
H. H. Bancroft & Co	Books	31,24
A. Roman & Co	Books	35,03
D. Hicks	Binding Vols	24,50
	Total	$67,77

Ordered that the foregoing bills be paid in usual manner

Treasurer's Report — Same Committee reported back correct Treasurers Report for April which was received, approved and ordered spread upon the minutes as follows

Treasurers Report for April

To the Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my Report of the receipts and Disbursements

May 10th/70 — Adjourned Meeting (Continued)

Treasurers Report for April 1870

Receipts

Amount received on a/c of Rent		520 00
" " " Collections		335 00
Total		855 00

Disbursements

Amt paid			
G. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash		30 65
H. Stieglitz	Salary for March		60 00
G. P. Colemans	do		100 00
G. C. Hurlbut	do		150 00
Union Ins Co	Premium on Policy	5734	113 50
F. McErellish & Co	Advertising		27 00
A. Roman & Co	Books		23 22
E. Bosqui & Co	Printing		22 50
S. F. Chronicle	Advertising		19 50
H. E. Loomis	Newspapers		40 75
Spaulding & Barto	Printing		10 50
Cubery & Co	do		117 00
Bancroft & Co	Books		61 41
D. Hicks & Co	Binding		80 00
C. Beach	Books		11 59
M. W. Pryser	Sub to Bulletin		22 50
Geo Milne Clark & Co	Fitting gas cocks		5 00
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Feby		111 50
J. K. Prior	Plumbing &c		117 26
Bancroft & Co	Books		6 00
A. Roman & Co	Books		19 78
Union Ins Co	Interest to May 9		400 00
Sinking Fund	10% on Receipts		85 56
Amount due Treasurer as per Report for Mch			81 78
Total			$2820 17
Leaving balance due Treasurer this date			$1964 50

San Francisco
April 30th 1870

Respectfully Submitted
Henry E. Davis
Treas

Committee on Minutes — Moved and seconded that a Committee of two be appointed by the Chair, to examine and report at next meeting as to the Correctness of transfer of Minutes from blotter to Record Book "Carried"

Committee on Minutes — Accordingly Messrs Colemans & Pardy on said Committee with instructions to report at next meeting

Annual Report of Com: on Books and Donations — Committee on Books and Donations presented their annual Report, which was read, approved and ordered spread on the minutes as follows:

To the Board of Directors
Mechanics' Institute

The Committee on Books and Donations beg leave to make the following yearly Report:

Number of Books in the Library March 1st	12,431
Added during the year	1,919
	14,350

Classification

Science & Art	241
Poetry	53
Biography	33
Philology	23
Bound Periodicals	7
Reports	117
Fiction	956
Travel	71
Philosophy Essays &c	109
Government & Political Economy	12
History	131
Wit and Humor	16
Games	6
Theology	27
Medicine	3
Law	3
Encyclopedias	29
Miscellaneous	32
	1919

Donations during 1869

Pamphlets	18
Reports (various)	75
General Literature (volumes)	80
Catalogues	9
Maps & Plans	11
State Papers and Journals of Legislature	15
Frames & Pictures	2
U.S. Com. Reps. (Paris Exhibition (Sets)	2

May 18th/70 — Adjourned Meeting (Continued)

Report Com: on Books & Donations

Annual Report of Com. on Books and Donations

Quite a large number and variety of Books were ordered from England, of which the first invoice has arrived. This order will amount to at least 2500 $ in value. They have been selected by a perfectly Competent agent, and will add greatly to the attractiveness of the Library

Your Committee would recommend that some place be selected for the purpose of hanging Maps and would suggest the Chess Room, the Maps to be fastened permanently against the Wall

Respectfully
John Haucock
Chairman
Wm C. Pease
H. P. Herrick

March 1st 1870

Directories — Mr Pardy to whom the matter had been referred reported in answer to inquiry that several Directories had been received from the Eastern States and California, the same having been donated in answer to Circulars sent to different publishers; several promised yearly donations, but all at present expected had arrived, (in all 43 Volumes)

Unauthorized Bills — Mr Haus Com of Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported that several bills had been presented from Newspaper publishers, for advertising a Card of Institute, ordered published in only four papers, and asked that a memorandum be made upon the minutes to indicate that these accounts were entirely unauthorized, the bills being as follows:

Hebrew Observer	10.00
Calª Demokrat	8.00
Golden City	8.00
Workingmens Journal	
Abend Post	10.00
and any and all others save of Altª Bulletin Call and Chronicle	

Ordered that the memorandum be made as above

Adjourned

George Pardy Secretary

May 18th/70 — Special Meeting of the Institute

Rooms of the Institute
May 16th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Present a Quorum

Sec'y pro tem: In absence of Secretary Mr R. A. Marden was elected Secretary pro tem.

Object — Mr Prest Hallidie announced the object of the meeting to be to appoint a nominating Committee to nominate Trustees to serve the ensuing term, and to transact such other business as might be brought forward

Nominating Committee — Nominations for members of the Committee or nominations were then made as follows: each nomination being seconded.

Mr A. T. Dewey
" D. Farquharson
" A. S. Tredale
" D. E. Hayes
" Simon Mahan
" Wm H. Birch
" W. W. Smith
" H. C. Fish
" N. D. Arnot (withdrawn) Nominations were here closed afterwards reconsidered Bassett (withdrawn)
" P. L. Webb

Withdrawn — The names of N. D. Arnot and Bassett by request were withdrawn by consent leaving nine remaining nominations when a motion to close nominations was carried.
The Secretary here arrived and relieved Mr Marden Secretary pro tem

Size of Committee — Mr N. D. Arnot moved and it was seconded that the nominating Committee Consist of five members

Moved and seconded to amend by making the number "Nine"
Amendment Carried

Election of Committee — Mr Cummings moved and it was seconded that the Secretary cast the vote of the meeting for the nominees as above
Motion Carried

May 16th/70 — Special Meeting (Continued)

Vote Cast by Secretary — Accordingly the Secretary cast the vote as instructed, and all the before named were declared elected

Dating Adjournment — Mr Dunn moved and it was seconded that when we adjourn it be until the 25th of May to receive report of Committee

Amendment — Mr W. F Herrick moved as an amendment that the time be set to one week from date

Amendment Carried

Instructing Committee — Mr J. F. English moved and it was seconded, that the Committee be instructed to nominate "Fourteen Trustees"

Motion Carried

Ditto — Mr Bowden moved Committee be instructed to nominate Seven Trustees to serve one year and Seven to serve two years "No Second"

Adjourned — Moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn

Motion Carried

Adjourned

George Tardy
Secretary

May 17th/70 — Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
May 17th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Britton, Davis, Hancock Macy, Scott

Minutes — Minutes of previous meeting May 10th were read and approved

Reports — Reports of Committees

Committee on Library, Rooms and Building. No report

Committee on Ways, Means and accounts reported the following Bills approved recommending that the same be paid

Bill Paid

W. E. Loomis	Newspapers and Periodicals	14 31
S. V. Water Co.	Water for May	12 00
H. H. Bancroft	Books and Stationery	6 40
A. L. Dewey & Co	Vols of Scientific Press	18 50
A. Roman & Co	Books	16 63
Spaulding and Barto	4 Rot Books	36 00
Hebrew Observer	Advertising	10 00
	Total	$243 84

Ordered that the above Bills be paid in usual manner

Arrival of Absentees — Mr Macy and Mr Davis here entered the room, and took their seats in the Board

Hebrew Observer Bill — In auditing the Bill of Hebrew Observer as above the Committee stated that it had been ordered and endorsed by Mr Hancock, a fact they had ascertained since the last meeting of Board, at which time they had classed the Bill among unauthorized accounts (see Page 72)

Com on B & D — Committee on Books and Donations. No Report

Com on L & C. — Committee on Lectures and Classes Reported Progress

approved Minutes — Special Committee to whom had been referred the matter of transfer of Minutes from Blotter to Record Book, reported that upon examination they had found the transfer properly and correctly made from May 3rd 1870 back to

May 17th/70

Regular Meeting (Continued)

Transfer of Minutes

Decr 13th 1869, both dates included, and that they therefore recommended that the Minutes as recorded in (this) the Record Book on and between the above dates be approved by the Board as the true minutes of the proceedings of said Board

Moved and seconded that the report be received, the recommendation adopted and the Committee discharged

Motion Carried unanimously

Blotter discontinued

Nov. after the later of above dates the use of Blotter was discontinued.

Repairs to Post St.

Mr Macy of Committee on Library, Rooms and Building reported that the Board of Supervisors had ordered Post St to be repaired, but that the Street Committee of said Board had postponed the letting of the contract for said work for sixty days

"Report received"

Pickwickian Club

A Communication was read from D. R. Smith Esq on behalf of Pickwickian Debating Society, asking privilege of a room in building for the purposes of their Society

Referred to President with Power

Installation Committee

Moved by Mr Hanscom and seconded, that the Board proceed to nominate and elect installation officers for the ensuing election

Motion Carried

Nominations were then made and afterwards the Board balloted for choice of three out of ten named, when upon the first ballot Messrs B. A. Freeman, Jno W. Cherry and W. B. Ewer, were elected

Com. to fill Vacancies

Moved and seconded that a Committee of three be appointed with power to fill vacancies which may occur in election officers

Motion Carried

Accordingly Messrs Herrick, Gilmore and Pease were appointed to serve on said Committee

Gift from B. M. Hartshorn

Mr Prest Hallidie announced that Mr B. M. Hartshorn had presented the Library with a very handsome illustrated volume entitled

Ordered that Cor Secy acknowledge receipt of same and tender the thanks of the Board

Adjourned

George Purdy Secy

May 23rd/70

Adjourned Meeting of the Institute

Rooms of the Institute
May 23rd 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Present a Quorum

Minutes

Minutes of the Special Meeting May 16th were read and approved

Report of Nominating Committee

Special Committee on nominations presented their report, which was read, ordered received and spread upon the Minutes as follows:

"Report of Nominating Committee

San Francisco
May 23rd 1870

"To the President and
"Members of the Mechanics Institute"

"Gentlemen:

"Your Committee on nominations would respectfully report, that "they have performed the duty assigned them according to the best of their ability.

"We would remark however that considerable "difficulty was experienced at the outset by finding that many of the members of our especial Choice "were unable from want of time and other causes "to serve as Trustees. But by the kindness of "members outside of the Committee a sufficient "number of names were suggested to us, from which "we have made a selection such as we think any "society might be proud of. If the selection "meets with your approbation we shall feel that our "labors have not been in vain.

"The names we offer you are as follows:

"A. S. Hallidie		
"Chas E. Happe	of the firm of	Happe & Son, Painters
"Howard Chapman	" "	D. C. Macdonald & Co. Carpets
"Charles R. Kluger	" "	Nat Gaw Bros & Co
"A. D. Macdonald	" "	Britton, Holbrook & Co
"Sam[l] H. Harmon	" "	Haywood & Harmon

May 23rd 70 — Adjourned Meeting Continued

Report of Nominating Committee

"J. H. Culver of the firm of Lewis & Culver Pattern Makers
"J. O. Hauscom " " " Ætna Iron Wks
"Robt Hall " " " Howe & Hall Commission Merchts
"James Moffitt " " " Blake Robbins & Co. Paper Dealer
"George Tandy " " " Engineer
"Warren Williams " " " Williams & Son architect
"Josiah Moulton " " " Wilson & Moulton Painters
"L. B. Benchley " " " Pacific Rolling Mills

Respectfully Submitted
A. S. Hallidie Chairman
P. L. Webb
W. Wallace Smith
David Farquharson
Wm H. Birch
A. T. Dewey
H. G. Fisk
Simon Strahan
D. E. Hayes

$3000 from Legislature for Fair

Mr President Hallidie announced to the meeting that the Legislature had appropriated the sum of Three Thousand dollars, for the purpose of premiums at the next Fair

Adjourned

Upon motion the meeting then adjourned

George Tandy
Secretary

May 31st 70 — Special Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
May 31st 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Davis, Gilmore, Herrick and Hancock an

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting May 17th were read and approved

Committee Reports — It was moved and seconded that the various Committees be granted further time to Complete their annual reports, and that they report to the President at earliest time before the Institute meeting on June 2nd
Motion Carried and further time granted

Installation Committee — Mr Chase of Special Committee to fill Vacancies in election officers, reported that Messrs Freeman, Cherry and Ivers had Consented to serve on installing Committee.

L. P. Fisher & Sac Union — A communication was read from L. P. Fisher, offering to sell file of Sacramento Union for 750
Ordered received and placed on file

Bills — Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following Bills approved, recommending that the same be paid

H. H. Bancroft & Co	Books 5 Bills	52 66
Henry Gibbons & Son	Pacific Medical Jnl	5 00
Goodwin & Co	Chairs	12 00
Baum & Ladd	Tables	27 00
Gks Milne Clark & Co	Plumbing & Rprs	26 00
Frank G. Edwards	Carpet	95 00
Frost & Richards	Sign	3 50
S. F. Chronicle	Lecture advt	4 00
S. F. Bulletin	" "	3 00
A. Roman & Co	Books 3 Bills	22 38
A. C. Corbett	Whitening &c	67 50
		$317 04

Ordered that the above Bills be paid in usual manner

Prior's Bill — Mr Britton moved and it was seconded, to take up Mr Prior's Bill for consideration
Motion Carried

May 31st 1870 — *Special Meeting (Continued)*

Prior's Bill

Much discussion was had in reference to Mr Prior's bill, in which Messrs Britton, Pease, Macy, Scott, and Hanscom took part

Mr Pease moved and it was seconded that, 530$ be allowed Mr Prior in payment of his bill of 710$.

Mr Britton moved as an amendment and it was seconded that 500$ only be allowed

Further discussion was had during which Mr Prest Hallidie stated that Mr Prior had offered to compromise for 530$ and also that he (Mr H) had received an estimate from Glw Milne Clark & Co. in which the price per letter was set at from 7 to 10$ per letter.
Mr Britton also stated that he obtained an approximate estimate which set the price at about 10$ per letter.

Mr Pardy moved as a substitute that the matter be referred to arbitration, the Institute to reserve the right to accept Mr Prior's offer to settle for 530$, the decision of Committee of arbitration to be final and binding to both parties. arrangements to be referred to the President with power, subject to Mr Prior's Consent.
"No Second"

The Question being called,
The Ayes & Noes were called for with the following result
For the Amendment.
Messrs Britton, Hanscom and Scott
Against " Wilcox, Coleman, Macy, Pease and Pardy
Amendment Lost
The original Question was then put
The Ayes & Noes being called the following result was obtained
For, Messrs Wilcox, Coleman, Macy, Pease
against " Britton, Hanscom, Pardy, Scott and Mr Prest Hallidie
Motion was Lost

Prior's Bill referred to Mr Britton

Moved and seconded that Mr Prior's Bill be referred to Mr Britton, with power to settle same
Motion Carried

May 31st

One of Prior's Bills ordered Paid

Mr Hanscom moved and it was seconded that Mr Prior's bill of $95 80/100, for work done around the fountain at Pavilion, be paid,
Amendment accepted,
Providing Mr Prior will make a separate bill for said work
Motion Carried as amended, & so ordered

Golden City Bill

Golden City Newspaper bill for advertising being unauthorized by resolution was "not allowed"

Authorized Voters

In reference to the Members who were not in good standing, being delinquent, at time of reincorporation, and to their being now accepted by paying up back dues, and being privileged to vote at forthcoming election for Trustees

Mr Hanscom moved and it was seconded that the Librarian be instructed to make out Roll List with names of all those members that were transferred from old to new Incorporation according to Article 8 Sec 6 of the Constitution
Motion Carried

McCarty asks for Pavilion

Mr Prest Hallidie reported the request of Mr McCarty Dancing Master, who wished the use of Pavilion about June 20th
No action taken

Adjourned:

George Pardy
Secretary

June 2nd/70

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute

Rooms of the Institute
June 2nd 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Present a Quorum:

Minutes — Minutes of the previous regular meeting March 3rd and of the adjourned meeting May 23rd were read and approved

Change of Meeting night — The special order being to consider R. A. Mardens resolution as presented at previous meeting, in reference to Change of nights for Quarterly Meeting from Thursday to Saturday it was:
Moved and seconded that the resolution as offered by Mr Marden be adopted
Motion Carried unanimously

Presidents Report — Mr President Hallidie then read his Annual report which was received, ordered spread upon the minutes, and 500 copies printed and distributed, as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute:

GENTLEMEN—My last report closed March 4th, 1869, since which time, the efforts of your officers have been directed towards placing your society on a sound, liberal and broad basis; and by a thorough reorganization of the Constitution governing your Society, and its reincorporation under the laws of March 31st, 1866, in accordance with your instructions of March 4th, 1869. This end, I believe, will be attained, if the spirit of the organization is carried out, and the Mechanics' Institute will be a benefit to the community and an honor to its members.

It became necessary, under the new organization, to strike from the list of members all those who were delinquent under the old By-Laws; as only those who were in good standing at the time of the new law taking effect, became members of the new corporation, with the privilege to vote and hold office. This had the effect of removing from the list of members, a large number, who have heretofore been reckoned numerically as members, and which has tended to swell up the number (but really gave a false indication) of our prompt paying members.

Under the Constitution and to which I refer you, Art. VIII, Sec. 4. "Failure to pay dues for six months entails absolute forfeiture of membership." From this there is no appeal, nor have the Trustees power in the premises.

The entrance fee has been reduced from five dollars to one dollar, so as to enable any one with limited means to become a member of the Mechanics' Institute. And the individual property ownership of members has been exchanged for a general ownership, *i. e.*, the property of the Mechanics' Institute is now held in trust for the Association at large, forever—for the purposes for which it was originally organized. See Art. VI, of the Constitution. And as a member retains his rights and privileges, so long as he pays his dues, his membership ceases immediately if he fails to carry out his part of the contract.

June 2nd/70.

Presidents Annual Report

The fees and dues being so small, and about one-half that of any similar Association in San Francisco, it is evident that, not only should these dues be paid up promptly, but the number of our members should be materially increased, and no friend of this Association can do it a greater service than to add as many desirable members as his individual efforts can command. The importance of this cannot be overestimated, and I would urge, strongly, that your efforts be directed to this end, as well as to all that which bears on the general success of this Society. While there is every cause for congratulation on the improving condition of the affairs of the Institute, yet increasing usefulness creates additional current expenses, and these current expenses have to be met by a current income, independent of any extraneous efforts or incidental resources.

Your Library is a constant absorbent, and whatever temporary surplus you may have for some years to come will probably be required by it. Efforts have been made to improve and bring to date the scientific portion of the library, and very many valuable books have been purchased within the past year. I respectfully refer you to the subject of the library, under its appropriate head.

The Mechanics' Institute being essentially a public institution, identified with progress and the industrial arts, yielding no financial profit to its members, established for the public good, sustained by contributions from its members, and held in trust forever, for the purposes for which it was organized, is a fit body corporate to receive and hold in trust bequests, donations and endowments intended to further these objects. And on reference to Sec. 6, Art. VII, it will be seen that a provision has been made for this purpose, and it is hoped that with a knowledge of this fact, those so disposed will not hesitate to make the Mechanics' Institute the guardians of their liberality; and, under such instructions as may be suggested by the donor, for the proper carrying out of their wishes or will.

The requirements of this community (and, indeed, of all young communities) are so great and absolute that it would be impossible, in this Annual Address, to enter into the subject, even had you the time to listen to me. But without doubt the Mechanics' Institute can be of great benefit in its sphere and of lasting advantage to the people among whom it exists and the industries it represents.

Let it be ever foremost in liberality, enlarged views and good brotherhood, carrying out in practice the spirit of Sec. 7, Art. VII, of the Constitution.

For the benefit of those living out of the city, especially those who make a point of staying a few days in San Francisco, I would draw their attention to Sec. 2, Art. VIII, which provides that for such the use of the rooms are extended, on payment of fifty cents per month. This is intended for those who are brought to this city by business or pleasure, and who are non-residents. It is believed that when this is more generally understood and the advantages your rooms offer, filled as they are, with newspapers and periodicals from all parts of the world, and books treating on all subjects, it will be taken advantage of by the transient public of San Francisco.

In addition to the foregoing, your Constitution provides that as soon as the finances of the Society shall permit, there shall be opened to the public a *free* reading-room. It is to be hoped that this project may be carried out at an early day.

In the government of the affairs of the Mechanics' Institute, it is required that after the first year, there shall be elected, annually, on the first Monday in June, seven Trustees, to serve two years. The Board of Trustees, consisting of fourteen members, half go out each year.

The Business Meetings of the Institute are held on the first Thursday in September, December, March and June. It is proposed, by a notice given at the last meeting, to change the day of meeting to Saturday, as on this day the Lecture Hall is unoccupied, and it is considered more convenient for the majority of the members.

In Sec. 2, Art. XIII, it is provided that there shall be set apart 10 per centum of all the receipts as a sinking fund, to be used for paying taxes on the Institute property and the mortgaged debt. This fund has already reached a fair proportion, and will enable the Society to promptly pay its taxes, which for the past two years has been levied on its property, and in consequence has been an extraordinary draft on the resources of the Society, to the amount of about ninety dollars per month.

June 2nd/70

President's Report

The Trustees have inaugurated a series of monthly lectures, free to the members. These lectures have been well attended and are exceedingly popular, treating principally on technical subjects, yet not confined entirely to these. They are well appreciated and are already a feature of the Institute. Many members have joined in order to have the benefit of these Saturday evening lectures. Hereafter they will be given semi-monthly and if possible every week.

Since the last Annual Address your Society has held its Seventh Industrial Exhibition, and which, was in every way a success. Demonstrating the capabilities of California as a manufacturing and producing State, being a source of gratification to the visitors, benefit to the State and an honor to the Mechanics' Institute, the building being crowded during its continuance of forty-one days and nights. These exhibitions are attended with considerable labor, running over a period of three months, and the managers worked assiduously and without relaxation during the term; and when we consider that they are all business men, giving their efforts without compensation, other than the satisfaction of having done *something* for the Mechanics' Institute, the sacrifice can be better appreciated by the members at large. And it is a greater satisfaction to know that the Mechanics' Institute netted a large amount as the result of the Exhibitions of 1868 and 1869. The amount of labor involved is best known by a close examination of the books of accounts of these last two fairs, and which are open to the inspection of those interested. The Report of the Sixth Industrial Fair shows the disbursements and receipts of that Fair, up to the time when the reports were printed. By referring to that report it will be seen that there was a deficiency of $4,242.53, at that time. Since the printing of the financial report of the Sixth Fair, and previous to the printing of the financial report of the Seventh Fair, all the bills relating to the Sixth Fair were audited as follows:

Clerk Hire, Wittemore	$20 00		
Cutler,	15 00		
		35 00	
Drayage, Dugan,		14 75	
Sundries, Hawley & Co., Hardware,	6 14		
Elam & Howes, Dusters,	15 75		
Bulletin, Advertising	6 00		
		27 89	
Lumber, Harris	25 00		
Blyth & Wetherbee	951 13		
		976 13	
Report, Women's Co-operative Union, Printing	360 00		
H. D. Dunn, Compiling, etc.	324 00		
		684 00	
Printing, Dewey & Co., Opening Address	69 00		
Mullin, Mahon & Co.	4 00		
Dewey & Co.	49 50		
		122 50	
Premiums, Britton & Rey, Lithographing Diplomas	270 00		
Pacific Business College, Filling "	146 88		
Gihon, Engraving Medals	136 60		
R. B. Gray, 3 Silver Medals	12 00		
		565 48	
Carnival Ball, Expenses of Ball, building lower gallery and laying of new floor over amount of receipts	975 16		
Interest on deferred payment of account of J. K. Prior, for Gas Pipe, etc.	367 43		
Total amount bills paid after close of report of 6th Fair		$3,768 34	
Together with the deficiency as per report of 6th Fair		4,242 53	
Total		$8,010 87	

The above was paid from the receipts of the Seventh Exhibition, which netted, after all expenses were paid, over $25,000 to the Mechanics' Institute, and I refer you to the report of the Committee of Ways, Means and Accounts herewith appended for details of expenditures in this connection.

The Pavilion under the roof of which the last two fairs have been held, I would suggest be employed on August, 1871, for the purpose of holding a grand exhibition to which all nations be invited to contribute and that it be on a scale sufficiently comprehensive to include all and exclude none.

At that time San Francisco will be in direct steam communication with Australia, Tasmania, China, Japan, British Columbia, Alaska, Mexico, Central and South America, the Hawaiian, and other Islands of the Pacific. By railroad with all parts of the United States, including Oregon and Arizona. And probably in telegraphic communication, via Pacific Ocean, with China, Japan, and Russia.

June 2nd/70

President's Report

On the shores of the Pacific, at the western limit of the great Republic with its city of twenty-two years' growth, I am not too sanguine when I express the belief that energetic efforts will be made by the members and officers of the Mechanics' Institute of San Francisco, to hold an Industrial Exhibition which will draw here the curious from all parts of the world to witness the products of our own people, and those of the people of Japan and China, the Islands of the Pacific Ocean, and the countries bordering thereon. If the suggestion is of weight and worthy of consideration, propositions should be made at once, and correspondence immediately opened to this end.

The importance of such an exhibition and its bearing on the future prospects of this city cannot be over estimated. And there is not too much time for preparation in order to make it the success it should be, and which you would desire.

The Pavilion Building, now occupying Union Square, if allowed to remain, must necessarily be removed in December, 1871, and it will be some years before your Society will be able to hold another Industrial Exhibition without great hazard and risk. And in this connection I would refer you to page 13, Report of Seventh Industrial Exhibition, as to the urgent necessity of securing a permanent site for an exhibition building, if it is your intention to continue these Industrial Fairs.

I visited the Capitol during the late session of the Legislature on behalf of your next Industrial Exhibition, and an appropriation was granted the Mechanics' Institute amounting to $3,000, to be expended in premiums by the managers of the next Exhibition. If the suggestion previously made, be carried out, I believe a large addition may be made to this amount by subscriptions from the public, and which, taken with your usual expenditure for premiums, will be a strong incentive to competitors and exhibitors.

The relations between the Mechanics' Institute and the city of San Francisco is necessarily of an intimate character, and there is no Society which has more power for good than it. True, it is not a religious or moral Society in the usual acceptation of the term; but its influence can be made widespread, and carry with it all that which combines to make a good citizen and an honorable man. It is especially the duty of every member of the Mechanics' Institute, to practically carry out the spirit of its organization. And while doing his best to make honorable all that which is honest and industrious, he should make odious that sentimentalism which expresses contempt for an industrious mechanic or working man.

There is a wide field in San Francisco for such an institution, for without the industrial and mechanic arts, San Francisco would soon succumb to other and more enterprising sea port towns.

There are many rough spots to smooth down, and angry minds to be softened. It should be your aim to conciliate and bring into harmony, the two great interests, which if ever pulling contrary ways must result in disaster to both. The identity of the employer and employed should not be lost; the interests of both are identical. Unfortunately in all communities there is the grasping employer as well as the employed, both are tyrants. There must be mutual concession and consideration, and I sincerely hope the question may be considered by cool heads and honest hearts, and the languishing industries of the past year be made to spring up with renewed vigor, giving encouragement to new enterprises of industry and art.

Manufacturers of all kinds have been laboring under a depression unequalled in San Francisco. This state of affairs is attributed to many causes. 1st, The completion of the Pacific Railroad having disturbed the usual channels of trade and points of supply, and brought us in direct competition with markets where wages are lower and interest less, has disturbed the heretofore settled arrangements of the merchant and dealer, and caused a hesitation to order goods manufactured in this city to any large amount. 2d, The high rates of interest demanded for money by capitalists have prevented its employment in enterprises where the margin for profit is not very large. 3d, The large investments of money (about $25,000,000.00) by the industrial classes in the various Savings Banks which loan only on real estate at the highest rates of interest, and during the past two years on an unhealthy valuation of property. 4th, The unfortunate misunderstanding between employer and employed. 5th,

June 2nd/70

The absorption of capital in ruinous mining and speculative operations, in large numbers of Insurance, Banking and Real Estate Corporations.

There can be little doubt if we expect to be a great people, we must produce more at home and import less from abroad.

One man who starts a successful manufacturing enterprise, is of more value to the community than ten men who invest their all in Savings Banks to loan on real estate. Each such man becomes a capitalist and an usurer, whereas in the former case he combines his skill and genius with his capital, and gives profitable employment to many others besides, and his enterprise enlarges to a large and important manufacture which retains his money at home and sends abroad the produce of his combined skill and capital.

I do not depreciate the value of Savings Banks—they are of inestimable value—but the abuse of them is much to be condemned.

I cannot resist drawing your attention to the youths of this city. It seems to me there is a great lack of regard for the claims of society and their own mental and moral cultivation, on part of a portion of that class of young men this Society should reach. You have offered inducements in the shape of classes for instruction, which have not been met. You have for the past year presented monthly lectures by eminent professors free to those who attend. The young men have not come. You have reduced your entrance fee to one-fifth the amount it formerly was, and have added very largely to your Library and Reading Room. The young men do not join or visit you. It is unfortunate it is so. But you find a great many of them in the melodeons, in the corner groceries, (I consider these groceries among the worst possible dens for young men, as here behind boxes and cases they get their first lessons in gambling), in the dance cellars and on the streets.

The fences, houses, and public houses ars chalked over with obscene words, and inoffensive strangers are set upon and most shamefully abused by boys, backed by men, whose cowardice is a shame to the city ; and what is the remedy? That is what I wish you to consider, and beg of you your most careful thought and attention.

The record of internal improvements is meagre but important. A little over a year ago your Society took the initiative in celebrating the completion of the great Pacific Railroad, since which time we have been in constant communication with the Eastern States. The successful completion of this main trunk, and national highway, stands as a monument to its projectors, and has given an impetus to railroad construction in this State. Extensive works of this kind are projected, which undoubtedly will result in the construction of many lines of considerable engineering difficulty. A road is in course of rapid construction to Oregon, and various branch roads are being built. Within the limits of this State there are about 750 miles of railroad operating.

In Harbor improvements, the sea wall continues to be extended around the city front. One of the most dangerous obstructions to navigation in this harbor, Blossom Rock, situated about half way between Alcatraz and Goat islands, and about five feet below low tide, has been removed by the excellent operation of Col. A. W. Von Schmidt, who excavated a chamber (about 125 x 100 feet), leaving a casing of rock about nine feet thick, and exploded within this chamber 43,000 pounds of gunpowder, successfully removing the entire rock to a depth of twenty-six feet below low tide.

The subject of water supply to this city is becoming an important one. The rapid growth of the population making it absolutely necessary to provide for a more ample and abundant supply of pure water.

The matter of drainage, too, is an important one, both as a matter of convenience and of sanitary regulation, and there should be some system adopted more consistent with the requirements of the town and the configuration of its site.

Attention is also being drawn to the Gas supply, its quality is far below, and its cost far above what is desired by a reasonable consumer.

These and similar matters are fit subjects for discussion before your Polytechnic branch and will be improved by ventilation.

Presidents Report

June 2nd/70

Some material modifications in the direction and size of the main avenues of the city are projected and in course of completion. The most important of which is the diagonal avenue running from the intersection of Washington and Montgomery streets, following the general line of the old ravine to the depression in the hill near intersection of Green and Stockton ; thence in same line to the water front. This will undoubtedly be of material advantage to all the northern part of the city.

In the State of Nevada the mining interests are being pushed with the usual amount of vigor, and many of the shafts in Virginia City have reached the depth of 1,500 feet, requiring in consequence hoisting and pumping works of the most powerful character and workmanship. The Sutro Tunnel intended to drain the Comstock ledge, and which will be 20,178 feet in length when completed, is being driven ahead and the advance works are now in about 1,100 feet. The railway running from the Virginia City mines, is completed, and engaged in conveying ore from these mines to the stamping mills on the Carson River.

We have to note the arrival of the first direct mail and passengers from Australia, and which reached here in the early part of May last. This is especially worthy of attention, as it places one more spoke in the wheel of international business of which this city is the center.

The project to connect California with Asia by means of a submarine telegraph cable is assuming practical shape. This I believe merely to be a matter of cost, as the practicability of such lines have been fully demonstrated at various places on the Atlantic. If the government of the United States grants any subsidy it is earnestly to be hoped that it be on the condition that the cable be manufactured and owned in the United States—connecting as it does the United States directly with Asia and no part of Europe. Telegraph lines are still being extended in every direction from San Francisco. There are now stretched from this point some 12,000 miles of wire supplied from this market. This city is completely overhung by a net work of wire, serving as excellent traps to catch boys' kites, etc., presenting anything but an agreeable appearance. It is time that measures were taken to remove these wires from overhead and place them underground out of sight, as has already been done in most of the cities of importance.

Abroad we find immense engineering work being pushed ahead vigorously. The canal at the Isthmus of Suez, connecting the Red Sea with the Mediterranean has been completed, and the distance between Bombay and Liverpool lessened 5,777 miles. The great tunnel through the Alps, at Mt. Cenis, is approaching completion, and it is expected will be completed this year.

The enterprise of greatest importance to us, that of a Ship Canal across the Isthmus of Darien is receiving proper attention under a Government expedition which is at work to ascertain its practicability.

The great bridges at St. Louis and New York, the Hoosac Tunnel, and various other engineering works now being constructed, are subjects of great interest and worthy of attention.

The endowment and establishment of the State University in California is a matter of considerable importance to the Mechanics' Institute. Containing within its fold the colleges of Mechanic Arts, Mining and Civil Engineering, it bears directly on the interests this Society represents, and being free to all. it fills a want which to some extent in course of time the Mechanics' Institute would be called on to supply, and we cannot but feel a pride in its existence, trusting that it may be made as useful to the rising generation as was originally intended.

Efforts were made on your behalf during the last Legislature to locate these three colleges of the University (colleges of the Mechanic Arts, Civil Engineering and Mining) in San Francisco. Under the present law they are located at Berkeley, four miles from Oakland.

It is evident to give to these colleges the opportunity for greatest usefulness they should be where the population is, and attainable to the young men who desire to attend ; in immediate contact with the people, so that instruction may be given at the lowest cost to the seeker, and the students who are not taking the full course of instruction may attend the special courses or the evening lectures. These colleges

Presidents Report

June 2nd/70

President's Report

being located so far from this city few can avail themselves of their advantages, and to a great extent the legal location defeats the very ends originally intended to have accomplished.

The colleges of Agriculture and Letters might be located at Berkeley with some show of reason, but the poetry of surroundings or beauty of location does but little in this practical age to aid the seeker after truths in Arts, especially when he seeks under a short supply of means.

Undoubtedly these colleges (if not indeed the whole University) should be located near where the Arts are plied, so that for the demonstration of any theory in applied science, the classes can have the advantage of proximity to the works and shops of a large city.

The evening lectures would be eagerly attended and the young earnest thinker, ambitious to learn, yet restrained by circumstances of condition, employment, etc., would be enabled to have his wish gratified, and be furnished by the State University with that food which feeds the brain and gives character to men.

I consider this of so much importance to the Mechanics' Institute, that I beg to lay before you a statement regarding the location of the Universities in the various countries in Europe and the population of the towns where they are located:

In *Austria*—Vienna, 500,000; Cracow, 43,000; Prague, 70,000; Pesth, 120,000; Lemberg, 75,000.
In *Bavaria*—Munich, 120,000; Wurzburg, 30,000.
In *Baden*—Heidelberg, 13,000; Freiberg, 16,000.
In *Belgium*—Liege, 70,000; Ghent, 120,000; Brussels, 130,000.
In *Denmark*—Copenhagen, 140,000.
In *Holland*—Leyden, 40,000; Utrecht, 50,000; Amsterdam, 250,000.
In *Italy*—Turin, 140,000; Naples, 600,000; Genoa, 150,000; Palermo, 180,000; Florence, 140,000.
In *Prussia*—Breslau, 120,000; Konigsberg, 80,000; Berlin, 750,000.
In *Saxony*—Leipsig, 70,000.
In *Spain*—Valladolid, 35,000; Valencia, 120,000; Seville, 120,000; Madrid, 300,000.

In *France* the University of France is subdivided into 17 academies, all located in large cities.
In *Great Britain* the large cities are the seats of the Universities, with the exception of Oxford and Cambridge.

In almost every case the Universities went to the population, and how can it be expected in a young country like California that the *people*, "and by people I do not mean the sons of the wealthy," can go to the University. It is to be hoped that this matter may not be allowed to slumber, but that active measures may be taken to make the University of California serve the interest of the whole people, who have so nobly endowed it.

The condition of the Mechanics' Institute at the present time is one of encouragement, and in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, the various Standing Committees have presented their reports, for the quarter ending May 31, which are on file with the Recording Secretary.

The Report of your President embraces a period of sixteen months, being from March 1, 1869, to May 31, 1870, covering all the period of the old organization under its present officers up to the time of its dissolution, and from that time (Dec. 6. 1869) to the expiration of the terms of the officers of the new organization, and the statements are taken from the reports of the various Standing Committees.

The Committee on Library-Rooms and Building report that during the past term, the Building has been entirely cleaned throughout, all the rooms, halls, stairway, etc., repaired and whitened. The Library-Room has been painted. Area in front of building partially excavated and water-closets, urinels, etc., put in for convenience of tenants in the stores.

A room 15 x 40 has been built by taking a portion of the chess room, and the landing of the west entrance; finished and furnished for a Library of Reference. Various plans being suggested for this purpose, and this, being found most economical and best adapted for the purpose, was adopted. The Lecture Hall has been leased to Henry Blyth, Esq., for two years, at a monthly rental of $140. The Committee reserved every Saturday for the use of the Institute.

June 2nd/70

President's Report

The committee suggest that, when this lease expires "and, as there are prospects of the north side of Post street, opposite the Institute, being built on with stores, the four small stores now in this building be altered into two large ones, running through to the rear of the building. The increase in revenue they believe would fully justify the change.

Total receipts from rents for sixteen months, being $9,155.38. Amount expended on the Building and Rooms during the same period, are as follows:

Furniture and supplies	$ 435 52
Gas	1,910 75
Water	228 00
Improvements and Repairs	2,354 73
Insurance	622 50
Building	473 50
Total Expenditures	$6,025 00

The building is reported in good condition and repair at the present time. Some extra expenses were incurred on building, in consequence of an explosion which took place in the building adjoining in the rear, some few months since.

The Committee on Books and Donations report as follows:

Number of Volumes in Library March 1st, 1869	12431
" " " added by purchase to June 1st, 1870	2375
" " " added by donation	218
	15024
" " " afloat and paid for	700
Total	15754
Number of Maps and Plans added	11
" " Engravings and Pictures	5

The volumes added to the library are classified as follows:

Fiction	1147
Law	5
Theology	30
Travel	79
Essays, etc.	136
Biography	40
History	142
Games	9
State Papers	15
Miscellaneous	86
Art and Science	626
Poetry	58
Political Economy	13
Philology	23
Medicine	3
Encyclopedias	29
Wit and Humor	27
Reports	147
Catalogues	9
	2593
To which, add Art and Science afloat	709
Total Number of Volumes added to the Library	3293

The Reading Room is supplied with the following periodicals:

Of the Pacific Coast	98
" " City	32
" " Eastern States and Canada	65
" " Europe	30
" " Australia	2
Total	227
Members on the Roll, March, 1869	1399
New Members since March, 1869	243
" Life Members	3

There has been presented to the Library some very valuable large photograph Roman Views, by Col. C. L. Taylor. A set of photograph views of the last Fairs, by Mr. Thomas Houseworth. A fine engraving, American Inventors, by John Hancock. Various State papers from members of Congress. A large portfolio book of engravings, and photographs, by B. Hartshorn, Esq.

The committee reported some time since the need of more shelf room, there being over a thousand volumes stowed away in lockers and behind other books on shelves. About 1,000 volumes of highly valuable works were ordered from England. 344 have arrived and are on the shelves, the balance being expected next steamer. All the Books of Reference have been put in a room by themselves and are not permitted to be taken from that room.

June 2nd/70

President's Report

The Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, report as follows:

Receipts for sixteen months:-

Rents,	$ 9,155 38
Collections, Dues, Entrance Fees, etc.,	7,593 29
Seventh Industrial Fair,	24,398 00
Total,	$41,146 67

Expenditures for sixteen months:

Books,	$ 5,172 04	
Newspapers, Periodicals,	1,277 01	
Advertising,	228 25	
Salaries,	3,806 58	
Furniture and Supplies,	435 52	
Petty Cash and Purchase of Books, etc.,	668 74	
Gas,	1,910 75	
Water,	228 00	
Improvements and Repairs,	2,354 73	
Insurance,	622 50	
Interest,	8,461 35	
Old Claims, Pattens & Bowers,	615 25	
Certificates of Life Membership,	18 50	
Printing,	358 75	
Blank Books and Stationery,	223 12	
Building,	473 50	
Sinking Fund,	1,250 32	
Taxes,	1,854 00	
Paid on Account Mortgage on Building,	10,000 00	
		$40,950 91
		$195 76
Balance on hand March 1st, 1869		226 46
Balance on hand June 1st, 1870,		$422 22

There is also to the credit of the Seventh Industrial Fair Fund the sum of $1,436.83 paid by that fund without being transferred to the Mechanics' Institute for books bought from B. Quaritch, England, making in all, the sum paid to and on account of the Mechanics' Institute by the Fair Fund, $25,834.83.

The committee desire to call attention to the matter of dues from members. They say, on March 1, 1870, there were on the books the names of 1,245 members, of which 413 were delinquent from 2 to 7 quarters, amounting to about $3,683. On June 1, 1870, there were 1,328 names on the books, of which 392 were delinquent from 2 to 7 quarters, amounting to $3,400, showing a decrease of the delinquent account of about $283.

The present number of prompt paying members is about 915, giving an average monthly receipt of $457.50; the receipts from rents amount to $605.00, giving as total monthly receipts, $1,062.50; our average current monthly expenses are $1,182.00.

In the above expenses is included an expected expense of repairing the street, which if deducted will bring our expenses $70.09 per month over our receipts.

We are now paying twelve per cent. per annum on the mortgage of $40,000. This loan should be effected at ten per cent., saving an expenditure of $800.00 per annum.

The Treasurer reports the following amounts on hand, June 1, 1870:

Mechanics' Institute Fund, current	$ 423 39
" " Sinking Fund	1,261 50
Seventh Industrial Fair Fund, balance	846 87
Total Cash in hands of Treasurer	$2,531 76

The Committee on Lectures and Classes, report as follows:

Since the organization of the present committee, eight lectures have been given, viz.: Prof. Fisher, on Explosives; Prof. Carr, on The Air we Breath; Prof. Carr, on Pioneers of American Civilization; Jno. D'Arcy, Esq., on Egypt: Prof. Joseph Le Coute, on The Universal Law of Civilization, or Cyclical Movements; F. M. Pixley, Esq., on Chinese Problem; C. H. Bennett, Esq., on Chinese Labor; Oliver W. Easton, Esq., Mathematics of Mining.

The committee advise that tickets of admission to these lectures be issued to members in good standing so as to avoid misconduct of outside parties. These lectures have so far been given by the lecturers without charge and the entire expense has been $17.80 to the Institute.

The Press have given liberal notices of them and consequently avoided the necessity of advertising.

The committee state that the effect of these lectures are remarkably healthy in increasing our membership, and that they have made arrangements with Prof. Price for a course of twelve lectures, to be delivered once a month, and partial arrangements have been made to fill up the other evenings.

June 2nd/70

President's Report

The Lecture Hall is admirably adapted for the purpose, and since it has been fitted up is superior to any hall in the city of the same dimensions.

The financial condition of the Mechanics' Institute June 1st, 1870, stands as follows:

ASSETS.

Lot 74 11½ frontage on Post Street	$70,000 00
Building	45,000 00
Library	22,000 00
Fixtures and Furniture	6,000 00
Cash in Librarian's Hands	30 00
Cash in Treasurer's Hands	2,531 76
Dues unpaid and collectable	400 00
Property on Union Square, estimated	7,500 00
Total Assets	$153,461 76

LIABILITIES.

Mortgage, Union Insurance Co.	$40,000 00	
Sundry Bills audited	404 41	
Claims not audited	830 00	
		41,234 41
Net assets		$112,227 35

Showing a gain over amount reported in my Annual Report of March 4th, 1869, of $22,853.42.

In concluding, I beg to express my thanks to the members for their uniform courtesy and kindness. So far as has been in my power, I have worked in conjunction with your Board of Trustees, for the benefit of the Society. How far our and my efforts have been successful, and to what extent we have contributed our mite, is left to your appreciative judgment.

In all that which has had a bearing on the prosperity of the Mechanics' Institute, the Trustees has had for it but a single eye, and if your Executive officer has fallen short of your expectations, it has been from want of ability, not will.

Trusting that the Mechanics' Institute may so flourish and prosper that every member may *feel* the honor of being a part of it, and that it may continue in its path of progress, education and industry, I respectfully close my report.

A. S. HALLIDIE,
President.

Adjourned

After the above report was read upon motion the meeting Adjourned

Geo. Pardy
Secretary

June 7th/70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
June 7th 1870

Mr President Wallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent: Messrs Browning, Stolz, Wilcox, Hancock,

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting May 31st were read and approved

Report of Committee on L.R.&B. — The Committee on Library, Rooms and Building presented their Report for Quarter ending May 31st which was read ordered received, and spread upon the minutes, as follows:

Committee on Library Rooms and Building
Quarterly Report

To the Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

Your Committee on Library Reading Rooms & Building beg leave to report for the quarter ending June 1st.

The building is in very good Condition at the present time, and all the rentable portion of the same occupied by good paying tenants

The monthly rents bring the sums of $1691.50 for three months,

Your Committee would recommend, when the opposite side of the street is improved, as they understand parties contemplate building some fine stores on said ground, that at some future period when convenient, the Institute make the first story of the building into two good large stores, believing that it will make a large increase to the monthly rent by said improvement and lessen the expense of repairs etc. necessary where there are so many tenants making all the Hall rooms we require in the upper story; also being able to make two good stores in the front portion of the basement that would rent well:

During the present quarter it has been found necessary to make certain expenditures in providing a suitable room for books of reference, as there were a large

June 7th/70

Report of Committee on L.R.&B.

number of very valuable works requiring a room for that department of the Library; The most economical plans was employed to gain the desired room; the Board limiting the Committee to a certain sum, viz not over $800 for making the rooms and not over $135 for furniture and Carpet for same.

The Carpenters Contract $503.00

Masons bill for whitening 2 large rooms, the front Hall and general patching $67.50; Painters bill for sign $3.50; There was also a bill for Gas brackets in which was included repairing Water Closets and other matters, of $26.00; For furniture and Carpet $95.00; Tables one 8ft and the other 12ft the sum of $27.00; for chairs $12.00;

Your committee are pleased to report that they have been enabled to keep the expenditures within the amount appropriated.

In dividing the chess room a fine room has been made for the reference Library, and ample room left for a Chess room;

The building is now in such thorough repair and condition, that but little if any cost will be necessary for repairs the Coming year, unless it be in painting the exterior Iron work in the front.

Receipt for Rents for the last three months

March	$603.00
April	520.00
May	566.50
Total	1691.50

For Water three months $36.00

For Gas March $125.50 April 83.00 204.50

The Gas bill for Month of May not having been presented:

The Board has rented on lease to Capt Blyth, the main Hall, reserving Saturday eve for the use of the Institute, which has been very profitably occupied in a Course of interesting Lectures on different scientific Subjects, beneficial to the members of the Institute and the public generally

San Francisco June 1st 1870

N.C. Macy
N.P. Herrick
Joseph Britton

June 7th/70

Regular Trustees Meeting (continued)

The committee on Ways Means and Accounts presented their Report for the Quarter ending May 31st which was read ordered received and spread upon the minutes, as follows:

Report of Committee on W. Means & Accounts.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts
Quarterly Report

San Francisco Cala
June 1st 1870

To the President and Board of Trustees
of Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith we present the Quarterly Report of Committee of Ways and Means for Quarter ending May 30th 1870. with accompanying statement of Receipts and Disbursements

Cash on hand March 1st 1870			1377	75
Amount received from all sources during March, April and May				
From rents	1661	50		
" Members	1410	36		
" 7th Industrial Fair	4000	00	7071	86
			8449	61
Expenditures				
For Books	2616	30		
" Newspapers and periodicals	614	78		
" Advertising	98	25		
" Salaries	930	00		
" Furniture and supplies				
" Petty Cash	94	39		
" Gas	439	50		
" Water	60	00		
" Improvements and Repairs	686	46		
" Insurance	113	50		
" Interest	1200	00		
" Old Claims of J.T. Bowers	65	25		
" Certificate of Life Membership	7	50		
" Printing	157	00		
" Blank Books and Stationery	77	00		
" Book Binding	160	25		
" Sinking Fund	707	21	8027	39

June 7th 70

Total Receipts for 3 months		$8449.61
" Expenditures		8027.39
Balance on hand June 1st 1870		422.22

Report of Committee on W. Means & A.

The above expenditures include the sum of $707.21 charged to Sinking fund, which added to the amount charged to same account as per last report $543.11 makes the sum of $1250,32

This amount is by the Constitution held in reserve for especial purposes, At present in the Treasurers hands as if placed on deposit in some savings Bank, it cannot be drawn, under stipulated times without forfeiting interest, and it has been deemed advisable to deposit it subject to demand, until the fund shall accumulate more than sufficient to meet the immediate demands,

The amount on hand belonging to 7th Industrial Fair fund May 10th was $5439,28 — of which $4000,00 was transferred to the Institute leaving $1439.28 for unsettled bills and Current expenses of the Pavilion so long as it shall remain as at present.

Credit should be given the 7th Industrial Fair fund for Books to the value of 1436.83 which were purchased from B. Quarities and paid for directly from that fund, without first being transferred to the Institute.

Attention is called to the matter of dues from members on March 1st 1870 At this date there were the names of 1245 members on the books of which 413 were delinquent from 2 to 7 quarters amounting to about $3683 on the first of June there were 1328 names on the book of which 392 were delinquent to the amount of about 3400 dollars showing a decrease in the delinquent amount of 283 dollars

Since the first of March a list of Delinquents has been made out and demands for dues have and are being made by the assistant Librarian. We may say that in the list the address of about 150 cannot yet be found. It is hoped that the labors of the assistant Librarian may be successful in considerably reducing the present amount delinquent.

Although by the Constitution membership is forfeited by a delinquent of 2 quarters yet in view of the fact that some of the members have been in straightened circumstances and asked an extension of time in which to pay up, we have

June 7th/70

Regular Trustees Meeting Continued

do

directed the Collector to use some discretion in the matter

The present number of prompt paying members is 915, giving an average of monthly receipts of $475 dollars. This number is now being increased at the rate of about 30 new members each month

Report of Committee on W. Ms and A.

Our monthly receipts from rents amount to 605 dollars giving us a total average current receipt of $1062.50

Our average Current monthly expenses are about as follows:

Newspapers and periodicals	100 00
Advertising	10 00
Salaries	320 00
Furniture and Supplies	5 00
Petty Cash	15 00
Gas	120 00
Water	12 00
Improvements and repairs inc. Street ass.ts	50 00
Insurance	40 00
Interest	400 00
Printing	10 00
Taxes	80 00
Book Binding	20 00
Total	1182 00
Current Receipts	1062 50
Deficit	119 50

It will be noticed that in the above estimate of current expenses is included an expected expense in the repair of the street in front of the Institute building which if not incurred will reduce the Current monthly expenses to about 70 dollars per month more than the current receipts

Respectfully submitted

W. W. Hanscom
D. R. Coleman
Wm C. Pease

June 7th/70

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures accompanying Report of Committee of Ways & Means, from March 1st to June 1st 1870

Report of Committee on W. Ms and A.

Receipts

	March	April	May	Totals	Year 13 Mos Ending April 1st	Year 16 Mos Totals
Rents	566 50	520 00	575 00	1661 50	7493 88	9155 38
Collections from Members	940 00	335 00	135 36	1410 36	6182 93	7593 29
7th Industrial Fair			4000 00	4000 00	20398 60	24398 60
	1506 50	855 00	4710 36	7071 86	34074 81	41046 67

Expenditures

	March	April	May	3 Mos Totals	13 Mos Totals	16 Mos Totals
Books	2390 43	126 70	98 87	2616 30	2533 74	5172 04
Newspapers & Periodicals		434 77	180 01	614 78	662 23	1277 01
Advertising	41 75	46 50	10 00	98 25	130 00	228 25
Salaries	310 00	310 00	310 00	930 00	3876 58	4806 58
Furniture & Supplies						
Petty Cash	46 20	12 60	35 59	94 39	574 35	668 74
Gas	123 50	111 50	204 50	439 50	1471 25	1910 75
Water	36 60		24 00	60 00	168 00	228 00
Improvements & Repairs	52 20	131 26	503 00	686 46	1660 27	2346 73
Insurance		113 50		113 50	509 00	622 50
Interest	400 00	400 00	400 00	1200 00	7261 35	8461 35
Old Claims	65 25			65 25	530 00	595 25
Certificates of Life Membs	7 50			7 50	11 00	18 50
Printing	7 00	150 00		157 00	201 75	358 75
Blk Bks & Stationery	16 00		61 00	77 00	146 12	223 12
Book Binding	55 75	80 00	24 50	160 25	313 25	473 50
Sinking Fund	150 65	85 56	471 00	707 21	543 11	1250 32
Taxes					1854 00	1854 00
Notes on a/c Mortgage					10,000 00	10,000 00
	3702 53	2002 39	2322 47	8027 39	32923 52	40950 91

Cash on hand March 1st 1870 1377 75

Total Receipts for 3 Months 7071 86 8449 61

Total Expenditures for 3 Months Ending March 1st 70 8027 39

Balance on hand June 1st 1870 422 22

June 7th/70

Regular Trustees Meeting (Continued)

Report of Committee on Book & Donations

The Committee on Books and Donations presented their Report for Quarter ending May 31st, which was read and ordered received and spread upon the minutes as follows:-

Committee on Books and Donations
Quarterly Report

"The Committee on Books and Donations Report as follows:

Number of volumes in Library on March 1st 1869		12431
" added by purchase to 1st June 1870		2375
" " donation to 1st " "		218
" Maps and plans added	11	15024
" Engravings and pictures	5	

The volumes added to the collection are classified:

Fiction	1147	Art and Science	626
Law	5	Poetry	58
Theology	30	Political Economy	12
Travel	79	Philology	23
Essays	136	Medicine	3
Biography	40	Encyclopedias	29
History	142	Wit and Humor	27
Games	9	Reports	117
State Papers	15	Catalogues	9
Miscellaneous	86		904
	1689		1689 2593 Vols

This list includes 3444 volumes lately received on account of an order sent to England in the early part of the year.

The Reading Room is supplied with the following periodicals: Of the Pacific Coast 98
" " City 32
" " Eastern States & Canada 65
" " Europe 30
" Australia 2
227

Members on Roll March 1869 - 1399
New Members Since " " 248
" Life Members " " 3

(Signed) W. C. Pease
H. P. Merrick

June 7th/70

Report of Committee on Lectures & Classes

The Committee on Lectures and Classes presented their Quarterly report which was read, ordered received and spread upon the minutes as follows:

Committee on Lectures and Classes
Quarterly Report

San Francisco June 2/70

To the President and Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

We beg leave to submit the following report.

Since the organization of the present Committee we have given 8 Lectures and made arrangement for a Course of twelve by Prof Thomas Price, to be delivered once a month and have made partial arrangements for several others to fill up the other evenings

The Lectures delivered are as follows

Feby 5/70	Pro R. A. Fisher	on Explosives
Mch 5/70	Pro Ezra Carr	The Air we breathe
Apr 16/70	" "	Pioneers of American Civilization
Apr 30/70	Jno D'Arcy Esq	" Egypt
May 7/70	Pro Jno Le Conte	" Universal Law of Civilization or Cyclical Movements
May 14/70	Frank M. Pixley	Chinese Problem
May 21/70	P. N. Bennett	Chinese Labor
May 28/70	Oliver W. Easton	Mathematics of Mining

We would call your attention to the necessity of issuing tickets of admission in order to protect the society against the unruly and disgraceful Conduct of outside parties as occurred on May 21st and we suggest that tickets of admission be issued to all members in good standing, and at the next fair a slight increase of charge on the price of a regular season ticket will entitle the purchaser to admission to the entire course of lectures

Our entire outlay for the 8 Lectures not including expense of Hall and Gas has been $17 80/100 as follows: Nine $2.00 dollars for expense of Chemicals and charts for Pro Fisher's Lecture on Explosives And $8.00 for advertising Pro Carr's Lecture on the "Air we breathe" Since that time your

June 7th/70

Regular Trustees Meeting (Continued)

Report of Committee on Lectures & Classes

committee have not found it necessary to expend any money either for notices or lectures, as the general good feeling entertained by everyone towards the Institute seems to impell all who are asked to cheerfully assist us

We call attention to the kind action of the Bulletin, Call, Alta & Chronicle who have freely published our notices of lectures free of charge Also for the disinterested friendship of the gentlemen who have lectured for the advancement of our society We also call attention to the effect these lectures are producing, as the audiences has steadily increased and considerable interest is manifested in them showing plainly that the interest of the Institute demands their continuence in order to make our Society Combine all the advantages now offered by others of similar character

In addition to the valuable information these lectures have placed within the reach of all

All of which is respectfully submitted

Committee on Lectures & Classes — Irving M. Scott Chairman, W. W. Hausconi, H. G. Macy

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills approved recommending that the same be paid

Bills Approved

Geo C Hurlbut	Salary for May	150	00
Geo P. Coleman	" "	100	00
H. Steights	" "	70	00
Geo C Hurlbut	Petty Cash	77	25
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for May	79	00
Union Insurance Co	Interes Policy	170	00
Swain	refreshments election	18	00
Cubery & Co	Printing Treas. Report	44	00
Olmstead & Cone	Books	25	69
S. F. Bulletin	Advts Election	14	00
S. F. Chronicle	" "	6	00
F. Seregni	Engrossing	1	50
D. Hicks	Book Binding	32	50
Bancroft & Co	Books	9	94
	Total	$ 799	88

Ordered that the above bills be paid in usual manner

June 7th/70

Priors Bill

Mr Britton to whom had been referred Mr Priors bill with a view to arrange for settlement of same, reported being unable to obtain any better terms than had already been proposed, and had therefore made no arrangement, and asked privilege to refer the matter back to the Board

Report received and Committee discharged

Priors Bill settled

In the above connection Mr Macy moved and it was seconded that Mr Priors offer to settle bill of 710$ for 530$ be accepted and that amount paid over to him

Motion Carried & so ordered

Treasurers May Report

Treasurer presented his monthly report for May, which was ordered referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

Sinking Fund Report

Treasurer presented his report in reference to Sinking Fund which was referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

Treasurers 7th Exhibition Report

Treasurer presented his Report on 7th Industrial Fair fund since Nov 26th 1869. which being read was ordered received and spread upon the Minutes as follows:

Treasurers Report on 7th Industrial Fair since Nov 26th 1869

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my report of the Receipts and Disbursements on a/c of the Seventh Industrial Exhibition since Nov 26th 1869 the date of my last Report

Receipts

1869 Nov 26th		Amount in Treasury as per Report Nov 26th 1869		967	93
1870 Feb	1	A. Crawford & Co	Sale of Bunting	23	475
"	"	Camilla Urso	Sale of Muslin and damages	9	390
"	"	J. H. Gilmore	for Advertisements in Fair Report	40	926
May	16	Col Andrews	Rent of Pavilion	6	250
		Total		$ 1047	34

1047

Disbursements

		Amount Paid			
Feby	16	Wm Westgate	Salary as Keeper of Pavilion for Fair (Petty Cash $42.25)	79	25
"	28	John Pardy	Services on petition	7	00
"	"	E. J. Cummings	" "	8	00
"	"	A. L. Donellan	" "	10	00

(over)

Regular Trustees Meeting (Continued)

1870						
Feby	28th	Mechanics Institute amount transferred	2500	00	$1047	34
Mch	4	W. J. Stoddart Services on petition	10	00		
"	7	A. Steiglitz do	8	00		
"	19	H. C. Macy Petty Cash	7	50		
"	"	Spaulding & Barto Printing	7	50		
"	21	F. Siregni Copying	2	37		
"	22	Whittier Fuller & Co glass	3	00		
"	"	Wm Westgate Salary for Feby	75	00		
"	"	Dewey & Co advertising	15	00		
"	"	Bouton & Son Carriage Hire	42	00		
"	23	W. J. Stoddart 3 days services	15	00		
April	2	Oakland Transcript Advertising	16	00		
"	8	John Purdy Services on Fair Report	20	00		
"	"	Conlin & Roberts Tin work	7	05		
"	"	F. McCorkish & Co Advertising	8	00		
"	"	Wm Worthington Setting Glass	2	50		
"	"	Chronicle Advertising	2	50		
"	9	Women's Co-op Printing Union printing Fair Rep't	480	00		
"	11	Wm Westgate Salary for Mch 75 Petty Ch 3	78	00		
"	15	P. M. Steam Ship Co Freight on Books	59	06		
"	24	B. Guanitch Books for Institute	1377	77		
May	6	Britton & Rey Certificates of Merit	15	00		
"	9	Wm Westgate Salary for April	75	00		
"	"	J. H. Gilmore Commission on Advertisements	103	56		
"	19	J. K. Prior Sundry gas fitting	57	19		
"	"	Mechanics Institute amount transferred	4000	00		
"	20	J. P. Bening Services as Book Keeper	60	00		
"	23	Blyth & Wetherbee Lumber	16	22		
			$9626	47	$9626	47
		Leaving balance in Fair Fund this date			$40	$7

San Francisco June 1st 1870

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

Librarians May Report

The Librarian's Report for the month of May was read, ordered received and spread upon the Minutes as follows:

The New Members reported were duly accepted, and the thanks of Board ordered to be tendered to the donors of Books &c—

June 7th/70

Librarian's May Report

Librarian's Report for May

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to submit the following report for the month of May:

Amount received for Initiation fees	$31.00
" " " Dues Collected	131.90
" " " Rents Collected	605.00
	$767.90

Twenty one new Members have joined the Institute during the month viz

William Simmons	Charles Burgess
W. H. Johnston	Edward Curtiss
Joseph Parady	Mrs G. H. Ames
Mrs A. Edgerly	J. A. Cameron
John P. De Graaf	H. W. Thain
David R. Smith	A. B. Bowers
Thomas Jenkins	Alanson Folger
W. P. Moore	Alexander Fiddler
Clinton Haskell	Mrs Henry Bauer
James Gordon	W. H. Parsons
C. M. Oakley	

There have been added to the Library Four Hundred and ten Volumes, Classified as follows:

Fiction 39, Wit & Humor 2, Theology 3, Travels 7, Essays 6, Law 1, Games 2, Science & Art 349

Donations have been received:

from Hon A. A. Sargent,
U.S. Geological Survey of Colorado & New Mexico
Causes of Reduction of American tonnage

from Hon S. B. Axtell
Causes of Reduction of American tonnage

from B. M. Hawthorne Esq
Cockerells Temples of Egina & Bassæ

from President & S. Galindo
Indian & Colonial Directory 1870

All of which is respectfully submitted

San Francisco
June 7th 1870

Geo. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

Adjourned

Geurge Purdy Secretary

June 9th/70

Special Meeting of the Institute

Rooms of the Institute
June 9th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the Chair

Present a Quorum:

Minutes — Minutes of the Regular Meeting June 2nd were read and approved

Mr President Hallidie announced that the meeting had been called to receive the report of the Judges of Election and to install Trustees elect

"Election" Report of Judges — Report of Judges of election was then read and upon motion was ordered received and spread upon the minutes as follows

Report of Judges of Election

San Francisco
June 7th 1870

We the judges of the election for Trustees of the Mechanics Institute held at the Institute on the 6th day of June instant do declare the following votes were cast for the candidates respectively viz:

	No of Votes
A.S. Hallidie	158
H.L. Davis	97
George Pardy	119
George Spaulding	90
David Kerr	89
Charles K. Steiger	162
Howard Chapman	159
J.O. Hanscom	130
Robert Ewing	86
James Moffitt	129
B.P. Brunner	90
Samuel A. Harmon	161
Henry C. Kibbe	90
John Roach	89
J.A. Culver	43
Josiah Moulton	77
Warren A. Williams	44

June 9th/70

Election Report of Judges

H.D. Dunn	37
A.D. McDonald	47
J.R. Wilcox	30
Robert Hall	76
R.A. Marden	35
P.J. White	36
Chas E. Hopps	74
C.L. Sawyer	31
L.B. Beechley	37

Whole number of votes cast 165 one vote rejected
Number necessary to a choice 83

A.S. Hallidie
H.L. Davis
George Pardy
George Spaulding
David Kerr
Chas K. Steiger
Howard Chapman
J.O. Hanscom
Robert Ewing
James Moffitt
B.P. Brunner
Saml A. Harmon
Henry C. Kibbe
John Roach

having each received more than the required number of votes, are hereby declared to have been duly elected Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Saml Dinsmore
J.M. Stockman
Wm Gruenhagen
} Judges of Election

Speech of J.W. Cherry — Mr Jno W. Cherry of Installing Committee then entertained the meeting with interesting remarks touching the prospects of the Institute and duties of the Trustees etc at close of which the newly elected officers came forward and signed the required obligation and were afterwards declared the chosen Trustees of the Mechanics Institute for the next term

Installation

Mr Hallidie afterwards made a few remarks when:

Adjourned — Upon motion the meeting adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

New Board 1870-71

Trustees and Officers

Term		
	President	
2 years	A. S. Hallidie	519 Front St.
	Vice President	
1 year	Charles K. Steiger	Vulcan Iron Wks, 135 Fremont St
	Treasurer	
2 years	Henry L. Davis	421 California St
	Corresponding Secretary	
1 year	Henry C. Tibbe	419 California St.
	Recording Secretary	
1 year	George Pardy	303 Mongomery St.
	Trustees	
1 year	B. P. Brunner	3 Front St
1 year	Howard Chapman	Spear St
1 year	Robert Ewing	125 Oak St.
2 years	Samuel H. Harmon	Pier 4 Stewart St
2 years	John O. Hauscom	Metmas Iron Wks, Fremont St.
2 years	David Kerr	Cor Market and Fifth St
1 year	James Moffitt	516 Sacramento St.
2 years	John Roach	540 Washington St
2 years	George Spaulding	414 Clay St

Standing Committees

Ways Means and Accounts
Messrs Hauscom, Chapman & Kerr

Books and Donations
Messrs Moffitt, Spaulding & Kerr

Library, Rooms and Building
Messrs Ewing, Harmon & Chapman

Lectures & Classes
Messrs Roach, Brunner & Spaulding

Librarian G. C. Harlbut
Assistant " Geo P. Coleman
Janitor Hermann Steiglitz

Organization of New Board

June 9th

First and Special Meeting of the New Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
June 9th 1870

Mr Roach chairman pro tem
Mr President Hallidie in the chair, when chosen

Roll Call Present a full Board

Mr Pardy was appointed Secretary pro tem

Long & Short Terms Moved and seconded that the members draw lots to decide who shall serve the long term and who shall serve the short term. Motion Carried

Accordingly lots were drawn with the following result

To serve the Long term	To serve the short term
Messrs Harmon	Messrs Chapman
Hauscom	Brunner
Kerr	Tibbe
Spaulding	Moffitt
Davis	Ewing
Hallidie	Pardy
Roach	Steiger

President Elected Upon motion the Board then balloted for President Mr Hallidie receiving Fifteen Votes Mr Roach one, when upon a subsequent motion Mr Hallidie was declared to be unanimously elected.

Vice Pres^t Elected Nominations for Vice President being in order Messrs Harmon, Steiger, Roach and Chapman were nominated.
Mr Steiger receiving a majority upon the third ballot was declared elected Vice President.

Treasurer Elected Mr H. L. Davis and Mr H. C. Tibbe were then nominated for Treasurer.
Mr Davis receiving Fifteen votes was declared to be unanimously elected Treasurer

Rec Secretary elected Mr Pardy was then nominated for Recording Secretary and upon motion the Vice President cast the vote of the Board in his favor and he was declared elected

June 9th/70 — Special Meeting of the Board (Continued)

Cor. Secretary elected — Wm T. C. Sibbe being the only nominee for Corresponding Secretary, upon motion the Vice President cast the vote of the Board in his favor and he was declared duly elected

President's speech — Mr President then made a few remarks relative to the condition of the business matters of the Institute as they had been left by the retiring Board, and directed the attention of the Board to that which remained unfinished.

Adjourned — The Board then adjourned until Tuesday June 14th

George Pardy
Secretary

June 14th/70 — Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
June 14th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Brunner, Davis, Harmon and Moffitt

Minutes — Minutes dispensed with

The first business in order being the election of Librarian Assistant Librarian and Janitor, upon motion the Board proceeded to elect these officers

Librarian elected — Mr Hurlbut being the only nominee for Librarian, the Vice President was instructed to cast the vote of the Board in his favor, which being done he was declared elected

Assistant elected — Mr G. P. Coleman being the only nominee for Assistant the Vice President was instructed to cast the vote of the Board in his favor, which being done he was declared elected

Janitor elected — Mr Hermann Steiglitz being the only nominee for Janitor the Vice President was instructed to cast the vote of the Board in his favor, which being done he was declared elected

Mr Brunner then took his seat in the Board

Mr President Hallidie then announced the appointment of the following standing committees

Standing Committees

Standing Committees

On Ways Means and accounts
Messrs Harmon, Chapman & Kerr

On Library Rooms and Building
Messrs Ewing Harmon, and Chapman

On Books & Donations
Messrs Moffitt Spaulding and Kerr

On Lectures and Classes
Messrs Roach Brunner and Spaulding

June 14th/70 — Adjourned Meeting (Continued)

Presidents speech — Mr President Hallidie then briefly instructed the several committees in the duties assigned them

3 days notice for all Bills — Mr Mc Haus com moved and it was seconded, that all Committees authorizing expenditures be required to certify the accounts at least three days before they shall be brought before the Board
Motion carried and so ordered

Pavilion Matters — By request Mr President Hallidie gave a succint account of condition of petition which had been presented to Board of Supervisors, asking re-lease of Union Square, and other matters connected therewith and recommended that the Board take some action in reference thereto

Several motions were made in reference to the matter which were subsequently withdrawn finally the matter was laid on the Table

Adjourned — Upon motion the Board then adjourned to meet again on Saturday 18th instant 7½ P. M.

George Pardy
Secretary

June 18th/70 — Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
June 18th 1870

Mr Vice President Steiger in the chair

Roll call — Absent Messrs Hallidie, Chapman, Harmon, Moffitt and Davis,

Pavilion Matters — The Specie order being the consideration of the matter of proposed re-lease of Union Square,

Mr Hauskin moved and it was seconded that a petition be presented to the Board of Supervisors on Monday June 20 asking re-lease of Union Square, said petition not to Contain any clause promising the execution of a bond on part of Trustees of Mechanics Institute, to guarantee any action on part of said Institute, said petition to be signed by each Trustee,
Motion Carried

Accordingly the Secretary was instructed to have said petition prepared, signed and presented in compliance with the above resolution

New loan — Mr Tibbe announced that certain parties had indicated to him a willingness to loan $40,000 to the Institute at Ten per centum per annum
Laid on table

Adjourned — Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

June 21st/70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
June 21st 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Roll call — Absent. Messrs Steiger and Garmon

Minutes — Minutes of the meetings of the Board June 7th, 9th, 14th and 18th were read and approved

Reports:

Report of Committees — Committee on Library, Rooms and Building — reported progress
Committee on Ways Means and Accounts — reported progress
Committee on Books and Donations — reported progress
Committee on Lectures and Classes — reported progress

Comm'n from B. Quarritch — A communication was read from B. Quarritch London England acknowledging receipt of draft for etc
received & placed on file

Tickets for Lectures — Mr President Hallidie called the attention of the Board to the matter of providing Tickets of Admission to Lectures in accordance with recommendation of Committee on Lectures and Classes; and also invited action of the Board in matter of Delinquent Members who were not by the terms of the Constitution in good standing at date of New Incorporation, but who may hereafter wish to place themselves in good standing by paying up arrearages.

Delinquent Members

Some discussion was had upon the subject of Delinquent members, and the power of the Board in view of the provision of the Constitution bearing upon the point, to reinstate delinquent members, except upon the terms required of new members. finally
Mr Moffitt moved and it was seconded that the Committee on Books and Donations be empowered to have circulars printed and delivered to the delinquent Members, inviting them to pay up back dues, and properly explaining the provisions of the Constitution having reference in the case
Motion Carried

Corresponding with other Societies — By suggestion the Corresponding Secretary was requested to open correspondence with Kindred Eastern Societies, with view to exchange of Courtesies for Mutual benefit

June 21st/70
Sac'to Union 560$ — Mr President Hallidie announced that parties offered to sell a complete file of "Sacramento Union" at cost price of 560$
Laid on Table

40,000$ Loan — In matter of proposed loan of $40,000, see Minutes page 111, action was postponed for 30 days

Pavilion Matters — It being understood that the parties opposing the grant of a re lease of Union Square to the Institute would withdraw their opposition providing the Institute would agree to remove the building by Nov'r 1st 1871,:
Mr Davis moved and it was seconded, that the matter be referred to the President with power to make agreement to that effect.
Carried

Vacation for Librarian — Mr Davis moved and it was seconded that the Librarian be allowed a weeks vacation from July 4th
Carried unanimously

Adjourned

George Tardy
Secretary

July 5th 70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
July 5th 1870

Prest Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Davis, Roach, Chapman, Harmon, Ewing, Kibbe, Moffitt

Minutes — Minutes of the previous meeting June 21st were read and approved

Reports of Standing Committees

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts reported the following bills approved recommending that the same be paid

Bills

Alta Carrier	Subn to Alta	19.50
S.F. Water Wks	Water for June	12.00
Frank Eastman	1000 Election Ticket	4.00
S.F. Chronicle	Advtg Meetings	4.00
S.F. Bulletin	" " &c	23.50
J.M. Crane & Co	1000 Bill Heads	7.50
Cluyas & Dutton	Stationery &c	3.55
G.C. Hurlbut	Salary for June	150.00
G.P. Coleman	Salary for June	100.00
Hermann Stieglitz	" "	70.00
		394.05

Fair a/c

Wm Westgate	Salary as Keeper of Pavilion &c	75.40
		469.45

Ordered that the above bills be paid in usual manner

Mr Moffitt here entered and took his seat

$40,000 Loan — Mr Prest Hallidie announced that the Union Insurance Co would agree to extend term of loan at a reduced rate, viz 10 per centum per annum interest.
Mr Hansom moved and it was seconded that the President be authorized to renew the $40,000 loan from the Union Ins Co upon the above named terms

Motion Carried

July 5th 70

Mr Ewing here entered and took his seat
Mr Roach here entered and took his seat
Mr Kerr by permission left the room

Blyth and the Basement — Committee on Library, Rooms and Building reported a request from Mr Blyth, to have use of one of the rooms in lower basement of Building, at present unoccupied, free of cost,

No action taken

Mr Davis here took his seat

Treasurers Report June — The Treasurer presented his report for the month of June which being read was referred to Committee on Ways Means and accounts.

Librarians Report June — Librarians Report for the month of June was read, and the new members reported therein were accepted, and Corresponding Secretary instructed to return thanks of the Board to Donors of Books &c. The report was then referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Account,

Librarian's Bonds — Librarians official Bond was received accepted and placed on file,

University Lectures — Some discussion was had in relation to a proposition announced by the President as having been made in the Board of Regents of the University of California to the effect that the University cooperate with the Mechanics Institute in giving Polytechnical Lectures
It was informally agreed that any arrangements necessary to be made on the part of the Institute in the above Connection, be referred to the President with power to act in the premises

Adjourned

Geo E Pardee
Secretary

July 16th/70

Special Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of Institute
July 16 1870

Mr President Gallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Ewing Harmon Roach

Union Square Business — Mr President Gallidie announced the object of the meeting to be to transact business connected with the application made to Board of Supervisors for release of Union Square

Mr Hanscom moved the following resolution which was seconded and carried unanimously

Resolved That A.S. Gallidie the President and George Pardy the Secretary be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to enter into an agreement with the Mayor and Board of Supervisors of the City of San Francisco, to the effect that if the said City of San Francisco grants to the Institute the use of Union Square until November 1- 1871 - then in case the said Institute fails or neglects to remove their building - to wit the Mechanics Pavilion from said grounds prior to that date, the same and every part thereof shall be forfeited as liquidated damages and to be the property of the City of San Francisco.

Further the agreement as authorized above was read and approved by the Board and was signed by the President and Secretary.

And further to bind the action of the Institute in this same relation each individual member of the Board bound himself in the sum of One Thousand Dollars, to be paid as forfeiture for noncompliance with the terms of the above agreement

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

July 19th/70

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
July 19th 1870

Mr President Gallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Steiger, Chapman, Ewing, Harmon

Minutes — Minutes of previous meetings July 5th and 16th were read and approved

Mr Steiger here entered and took his seat

Reports of Committees
Committee on Library Rooms and Building — No Report

Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported back Correct.
Treasurer's Reports for May and June
Treasurer's Report on Sinking Fund
Librarian's Report for June

Report accepted and the foregoing ordered spread upon the Minutes as follows:-

Treasurers Report for May

Treasurers Report for May

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanic's Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for May 1870

Receipts

Amount received on a/c of Rents		575 00	
" " " " Collections		135 36	
" " from 7th Industrial Fair fund		400 00	
Total		4710 36	4710 36

Disbursements

Amt paid			
Alta Carrier	Subscription to Alta	15 00	
G.C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash	40 36	
G.P. Coleman	Salary for April	100 00	
G.C. Hurlbut	do	150 00	
F. Steiglitz	do	60 00	
Britton & Rey	Certificate	25 00	
Robert Ewing	Alterations in Chess Rooms	50 00	
	(Carry over)	893 36	

July 19th 70

Regular Meeting (Continued)

Treasurers Report for May

Treasurers Report Continued

Receipts brought forward			471	036
Disbursements brought forward		893	36	
S.V. Water Wks	Water for April	12	00	
Roman & Co	Books	57	66	
Bancroft & Co	Books	37	64	
Hebrew Observer	Advertising	10	00	
S.F. Gas Co	Gas for Mch & April	204	50	
A.T. Dewey & Co	3 Vol Scientific Press	18	50	
W.E. Loomis	Newspapers & Periodicals	144	31	
Spaulding & Barto	Printing	36	00	
S.V. Water Co	Water for May	12	00	
D. Charnay	Books	7	00	
D. Hicks & Co	Binding	24	50	
Union Ins Co	Interest to June 9	400	00	
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	47	100	
Amount due Treasurer as per Report for Apl		196	450	
	Total	4286	97	4286 97
Leaving balance in Treasury this date				423 39

San Francisco June 1. 1870

Respectfully Submitted

Henry L. Davis

Treasurer

Treasurer's Report for June

Treasurers Report for June

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanic's Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for June 1870

Receipts

By Balance in Treasury June 1st 1870		423 39
Received on account of Rents	535	00
" Collections	893	75
Total	1852	14
(Carry forward)		1852 14

July 19th 70

Disbursements

Treasurers Report for June

Amount Paid (Receipts b't forward				1852 14
Frank G Edwards	for carpets	95	00	
Baum & Ladd	" Two Tables	27	00	
Goodwin & Co	" Six Chairs	12	00	
A Roman & Co	" Books	23	38	
A. Gibbons & Son	" Medical journals	5	00	
G. Milne Clark & Co	" Plumbing	26	00	
A.C. Corbett	" Whitening Walls	6	750	
Frost & Richards	" Two signs	3	50	
Bancroft & Co	" Books	53	66	
Chronicle	" Advertising	4	00	
Bulletin	" do	2	00	
J. Browning	" Halyard for flag staff	5	00	
Bulletin	" Advertising	14	00	
G.C. Hurlbut	" Salary for May	150	00	
G.P. Coleman	" " " "	100	00	
H. Steichitz	" " "	70	00	
G.C. Hurlbut	" Petty Cash	47	35	
J. Peregoni	" Engrossing	1	50	
Olmsted & Cone	" Books	25	69	
D. Hicks & Co	" Binding	33	50	
Bancroft & Co	" Books	9	94	
Cubery & Co	" Printing	44	00	
A.E. Swain	" Refreshments at Election	18	00	
Chronicle	" Advertising	6	00	
Union Ins Co	" Premium on Policy	170	00	
Union Ins Co	" Interest	400	00	
Sinking fund	" 10% of Receipts	142	87	
	Total	1584	79	1584 79
Leaving balance in Treasury this date				267 35

San Francisco July 1st 1870

Respectfully Submitted

Henry L. Davis

Treas

July 19th 70

Regular Meeting (Continued)

Sinking Fund

Treasurer's Report on Sinking Fund

"Henry L. Davis Treasurer in acct with the Sinking Fund"
"Mechanics Institute"

1870						
Jan 7	31	To Cash		2	25	61
Feb 7	28	" "		3	17	50
March	31	" "		1	50	65
April	30	" "			85	36
May	31	" Interest			11	18
"	"	" Cash		4	71	00
		To tab in Sinking Fund this date		12	61	50

(No Credits)

San Francisco June 1 1870

Henry L. Davis
Treas

Librarians Report for June

Librarians Report for June

To the Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I have the honor to report for the month of June as follows:

Received for Initiation fees	$28 00
" " Strangers monthly Ticket	1 00
" " dues Collected	875.00
" " Rent	508.00
	$1412 50

One Hundred dollars remain due on the rent of the Pacific Business College to 1st instant.

Twenty Eight new members have joined the Institute during the month viz

J. C. Olmsted	L. P. Bruce	Thos W. Trichell
Thos Winter	Mrs S. A. Howland	A. P. Boutou
C. Stahl	Thos Golding	J. H Carter
H. L. Caldwell	Charles Flaumer	C S. Haile
J. G. Manning	Miss Susie Colburn	D. L. Swett
L. G. Silvester	F. E. Haynes	Minnie White
F. P. Shafer	J. W. Hobson	W. F. Murray
L. Danielson	D. O. Wilkinson	C. Donovan

July 19th 70

N. Meyer R. A. Salter Jr A. W. Baleh
John Moss.

Librarians Report for June

There have been added to the Library by purchase, Three Hundred & thirty four Volumes classified as follows
Fiction 45, Wit & Humor 1, Theology 2, Travels 2
Essays 2, Government 5, Biography 3, History 4, Encyclopedia 1
Science & Art 270.

Donations have been received:

From Jas Britton Esq Lucile by Owen Meredith
" J. R. Wilcox Esq Pamphlet address of Gen A. W. Winn
to 8 hour leagues
From Ohio Mechanics Institute Cincinnati
42nd Annual Report, from Mch 1869 to
Mch 1870,

Being unable at present to avail myself of the leave of absence so kindly offered by the Board, I would request to do so at a later period.

All of which is respectfully submitted
G. C. Hurlbut
San Francisco July 6th 1870 Librarian

Committee on Ways Means & Accounts reported the following bills approved recommending that the same be paid

Bills Paid

Olmstead Stone	Books		47	29	
A. L. Bancroft & Co	"		15	37	
G. C. Walles	Notary fees. Pavilion matters			8	00
H. L. Davis	Petty Cash sundries			4	00
J. N. O'Brien & Co	Plumbing &c		18	15	
G. C Hurlbut	Petty Cash a/c		21	25	
H. L. Moore	Books		44	00	
Overland Monthly	Subscription			4	00
M. W. Peyser	Sub to Bulletin		26	25	
Bacon & Ladd	Repairs to Settees			9	00
B. F. Sterrett	200 Lecture Cards			4	00
S. F Gas Co	Gas for June		78	00	
Will & Finck	2 iron Window bars			6	00
C. M. Plum	laying old matting			6	00
S. F. Chronicle	Lecture ads			3	00
S. F. Water Wks	Water for ~~June~~ July & Augst		2	4	00
	Total		318	81	

Ordered that the above bills be paid in usual manner

July 19th 70.

Regular Meeting (Continued)

Committee on Books & Donations reported progress

Committee on Lectures and Classes reported progress

Property Tax

Moved and seconded that the Treasurer be authorized and instructed to pay Institute indebtedness for personal property Tax, to amount of $170 70/100

Motion Carried

Mr Chapman here entered and took his seat

Pacific Business College Rent

A communication was read from A. de Lev de Laguna of Pacific Business College asking reduction of Rent

Referred to Com. Ways Means & Accounts Lib Rooms & Building

Pavilion Insurance

Mr Prest Hallidie announced having effected renewal of Policy of Insurance on Pavilion at reduced rate viz 3%-

Mr Hansconi moved and it was seconded that the amount of Insurance on Pavilion be hereafter $15000

Carried

Horticultural Exhibition

Some informal discussion was had as to the propriety of holding an Horticultural Exhibition this season, contingent upon grant of release of Union Square

Moved & Seconded that when we adjourn it be until Tuesday July 26th 1870. 8 P.M.

Carried

University Lectures

Mr Prest Hallidie announced the action of Board of Regents of State University, they having resolved to hold a weekly lecture in Coöperation with the Institute, arrangements to be made at early date

University student to have free use Library Rooms

Mr Davis moved the following resolution

Resolved: That the Institute by their Board of Trustees grant the privileges of Reading Rooms to such regularly attending Student at Lectures of Mechanics Arts College of State University as shall Comply with established rules thereof

Carried

July 19th 70 Treasurer leave of absence

Mr Treasurer Davis was granted leave of absence by the Board for the term of six weeks.

Absenteeism of Mr Harmon

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to notify Mr Harmon of the provision of the Constitution, by which his office as Trustee is vacant by reason of his voluntary absence from three successive regular meetings.

Adjourned

George Tardy
Secretary

July 26th/70

Adjourned Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of Institute
July 26th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Roll Call — Absent Messrs Davis, Ewing and Harmon

Minutes — Minutes of previous meeting July 19th were read and approved

Delinquency of Mr Harmon — Corresponding Secretary reported having notified Mr Harmon of his having been absent from three successive regular meetings, and of the provision of the Constitution in that case having bearing, and that Mr Harmon had pleaded his indisposition and inability to attend, and he Mr Harmon asked further time.
The Board viewing the case as one of involuntary absence granted Mr Harmon temporary leave of absence

Request of Y.M.B.A. — A Communication was read from R. B Swain Esq Pres't of San Francisco Benevolent Society, asking free use of the Pavilion for said society for the purpose of giving four grand Concerts for its benefit on 10th 11th 12th & 13th Sept
Com received placed on file and petition granted

Eudebee's Concerts — A Similar Communication was read from Messrs Levy & Bugbee asking use of Pavilion for the week succeeding the above dates offering 500$ as consideration
Laid on table
Pending the consideration of the above Communications Messrs Levy & Bugbee by permission interviewed the Board and explained their proposition and their proposed enterprise more fully

Insurance Bill — Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported a bill as follows recommending the same be paid.
W. J. Stoddart agent Underwriters Ass'n Insurance $80-75
Ordered the above bill be paid in usual manner

Adjourned

Geo Pardy
Sec'y

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of Institute
August 2, 1870

Mr Pres't Hallidie in the chair

Absent, Mess'rs Harmon, Davis Ewing, Roach, Moffitt Kibbe

Minutes of previous meeting July 26th were read and approved

Librarians Report for July was read
New members therein reported were duly accepted and Corresponding Secretary authorized to acknowledge donations received
Report referred to Committee on Way & Means

A Communication was read from E. H. Harmon Esq tendering his resignation as Trustee which was accepted and Communication ordered Spread on Minutes as follows.

To the Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

On account of bad health I have not been able to attend any of your meetings and shall not probably for some time, and feeling that some other person with better health can forward the interests of the Institute, Therefore for the above reasons I send in my resignation

Yours very Respectfully
E. H. Harmon

A Communication was read from John C. Ludwig asking assistance of Board in introducing his Corrugated fire surface Boiler
referred to Mr Brunner

Mr Moffitt here entered and took his seat.

Some discussion was had as to the propriety of extending an invitation to the Editorial Party of Horticulturists & Agriculturists &c, now on a visit to our State, to meet with invited citizens in the Lecture room of the Institute at some appointed time

Regular Meeting (Continued)

In this Connection Mr Hanscom moved and it was seconded
That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair as a committee of invitation and reception, with instructions to extend invitation to the said Editorial Party and to prominent citizens to meet together in Lecture Hall of Institute for the purpose of discussing matters of interest touching the industry of the State, at such time as may be appointed,

Motion Carried and

Messrs Brunner Hanscom and Chapman were appointed on said Committee,

Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following bills approved recommending the same be paid

G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for July	$150.00
G. P. Coleman	" "	100.00
H. Stieglitz	" "	70.00
Wm Westgate	Pavilion Salary July	75.00
	Total	$395.00

Upon motion the Board then proceeded to elect a Trustee to fill vacancy Caused by resignation of Mr Harmon

Nominations were made as follows
Warren H. Williams
C. E. Hopps
Mr Hopps receiving the highest number of votes was afterwards declared unanimously elected

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of Institute
Augst 16th /70

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Absent Mr Davis

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts reported the following bills approved recommending the same be paid

Librarian Petty Cash		41 57
Jos Winterburn & Co	Receipt Bks	3.00
Frank Eastman	500 Circulars	5.00
Spaulding & Barto	300 Circulars	3.50
David Boyle	Stationery	6.50
S.F. Gas Co	Gas for July	72.00
Blyth & Wetherbee	Lumber	17.49
		$149.00

Above bills ordered Paid

Treasurers Report for July was read and referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

It being proposed to erect additional racks for filing Bulletin newspaper in Reading Room the matter was referred to Committee on Library Rooms & Building

Mr President reported that in reference to University Lecture a delay had unavoidably occurred

Committee on Building reported adversely to reducing rent of Pacific Business College
Report accepted and adopted

Adjourned

Geo Pardy
Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Sept 6th 1870

Wm Prest Tallidie in the chair

Absent Messrs Davis,

Minutes of August 16th were read and approved

Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following bills approved and recommended the same be paid

Geo L. Hurlbut Salary for Augt	150.00
G. P. Coleman " "	100.00
Hermann Steiglitz " "	70.00
Librarians Petty Cash a/c	4.60
	$324.60

Ordered that the above bills be paid in usual manner

Quarterly report from Committee on Books and Donations was presented, read and ordered received and placed on file

Quarterly report from Committee on Lectures and classes was presented, same action taken as before

Quarterly report from Committee on Library Rooms and Building was presented, same action as before

Treasurers report for August was presented. read and ordered referred to Com: on Ways Means and accounts

Treasurer's Report for Quarter was read, ordered received and placed on file

Librarians Report for August was read and referred to Com: on Ways Means and accounts,
the new members reported being accepted by the Board and Donations ordered to be acknowledged by Secretary,
Bancroft offer in regard to binding books, referred to Com: on Ways Means & accounts,

A Communication from W. W. Smith was read asking Board to authorize the solicitation of subscriptions in name of the Institute, to purchase a Microscopic apparatus, with

the view of forming a club to study Microscopy, in connection with the Institute
Referred to Com: on Lectures and Classes

Upon motion the recommendation of Committee on Library Rooms & Building, that Institute immediately proceed to have sidewalk excavated to provide for basement stores was adopted, and Committee authorized to procure estimates and report at next meeting

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

Quarterly (adjourned) Meeting of the Institute

Rooms of the Institute
Sept 17th 1870

Wm Prest Hallidie in the chair

Present a quorum

The President announced that in consequence of their being no quorum present on the regular night for meeting Sept 3d the meeting had been called for this date pursuant to adjournment

Minutes of the last meeting June 4th were read and approved

The President then read his Quarterly Report ending August 31st which being read
Upon motion was ordered received and placed on file.

Wm Prest Hallidie then announced the action of the Board of Trustees in electing Wm C. E. Hopps Trustee to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Mr Harmon
Upon motion the action was approved and the Election Confirmed

The following resolution was adopted as an amendment by Mr Ward to a resolution offered by Mr W. H. Smith.

"Resolved:- That the Trustees of the Mechanics Institute are hereby requested to hold an Industrial Exhibition in the year 1871

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of Institute Sept 20th 1870

Wm Prest Hallidie in the chair

Absent Messrs Davis, Roach, Chapman and Hauscom

Minutes of the Meeting Sept 6th were read and approved

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported with reference to proposed alterations in basement of Building excavating sidewalk &c, having received the following estimates to complete the work, supply materials &c, according to plan procured from Mr Patton architect,

E. R. Shain	$1805
McGowan & Butler	$2150
Liebert & Morrell	$1885

An estimate for furnishing the necessary cut stone was also presented from T. Williams, amount $160.00

Report received and further Consideration of the matter laid over until next meeting

The following bills were ordered paid by the Board

A. L. Bancroft	Books	3.87
S. F. Bulletin	advtg Lectures	5.00
Librarians Petty Cash		15.45
Alta Cal. T. McGillivray & Co.	ad Lectures	7.00
Olmstead & Cone	Books	39.34
Ed Bosqui & Co		67.95
	Total	$138.61

The matter of proposition from A. L. Bancroft & Co to bind Books, as previously reported, was referred to Com on Books and Donations, previous action in referring to Com on Ways Means & Accounts being deemed erroneous,

A Donation of certain fossil remains & petrifactions from Chas H. Dennison Esq being reported, the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to tender that gentleman the acknowledgements of the Board

Committee on Lectures & Classes reported progress, and announced that they had authorized Mr Smith to solicit subscriptions to purchase microscopes, and

Trustees Meeting (continued)

and organize a Club in Microscopy, to be under the auspices of the Institute and the property purchased to belong to Institute in consideration of the permission given to use the name of the Institute in soliciting the subscriptions Action approved

Moved and seconded that Mr Price be requested to continue his Lectures in Chemistry under the auspices of the Institute

Motion Carried

Moved and seconded that the extra copy of the Civil Engineers and architects Journal now in possession of the Institute be donated to the California State University.

Motion Carried and so ordered

Moved and seconded that the matter of holding an 8th Industrial Fair in 1871. be referred to the present Board of Managers, with instructions to proceed to make necessary arrangements immediately

Motion Carried & so ordered

Adjourned

Geo. Pardy
Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Oct 4th 1870

Mr Pres. Hallidie in the chair

Absent Messrs Roach and Steiger

Minutes of previous meeting Sept 20th were read and approved

Committee on Library Rooms and Building, reported that Mr Laguna asked repairs be made to rooms he rented by him. Report received. No action.

Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following bills approved recommending that the same be paid

Olmstead and Cone	Books &c	12th 5477	46.93
H. Wenzel	Clock repairs		7.50
D. Hicks	Book Binding		54.20
Geo C. Waller	Affidavits		20.50
A L. Bancroft	Books		18.20
Cubery & Co	30 Invitation Circulars		4.50
J. M. Crane & Co	1000 Bill Heads		6.50
S F. Gas Co	Gas for Aug st		95.00
S F. Water Wks	Water for Sep		12.00
City & County of San Francisco	Taxes (Sinking fund)		796.60
Union Insurance Co	Interest		333.33
			$1395.26

Above bills ordered paid

A slight discrepancy being reported between Treasurers Reports & Librarians Report for July and August they were referred back for adjustment

Quarterly Report of Committee on Ways Means and accounts was read and Ordered received and placed on file. recommendations therein contained were acted upon as follows

Recommendation to have all bills pass through hands of Committee Adopted

In reference to Basement improvements proposed the Committee recommended they be not entered into at present on account of depressed state of the finances of the Institute "Laid over"

Trustees Meeting (Continued)

The recommendation that the Committee on Books and Donations revise the Contract made for furnishing periodicals, was referred to that Committee.

Treasurers Report for Sept was read and referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

Librarians Report for Sept was read and members reported joined Institute since last report were duly accepted, the Financial part of Report was referred back for adjustment with Treasurers Report

A Communication was read from German Ladies Patriotic Society. Containing resolution of thanks for use of the Pavilion Building, Received and filed.

A Communication was read from Mr Jno. Rock tendering his resignation as Trustee Received and filed
On this Connection the following was offered by Mr Spaulding

Resn: The Resolution having been mislaid could not be entered but a copy was duly presented to Mr Rock

Adjourned

Geo Tandy
Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Oct 18th 1870

Mr President Hallidie in the chair

Absent Mr Rock

Minutes of previous meeting Oct 4th were read and approved

Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following bills approved recommending that the same be paid

John Rock Petty Cash on Lecture ap		31.90
S.F. Chronicle	advtg	11.50
S.F. Mc Crellish	"	4.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co	sundry plumbing	28.75
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	119.94
S. F. Gas Co	Gas in basement	2.50
S. F. Bulletin Co	Advtg	5.50
Mc Cally & Hawkins	Plumbing	3.40
American & Howell	Stationery	25.25
Jno. Tandy	services	4.00
Jno W. Cherry	lettering sign	10.00
D. Charnay	Books	19.00
Olmstead & Cone	Books	58.00
W. E. Loomis	subscriptions	137.75
Geo. E. Waller	affidavit	8.00
Hoppe & Son	fixing black board for Lectures	16.25
S. E. Burdett	Salary for Sept	150.00
G. P. Coleman	" "	100.00
H. Steiglitz	" "	70.00
		$805.80

The above bills were ordered paid in usual manner

A bill of $18 Co for Water was referred to Building Com:

Librarian's Report, being a statement of account between himself and Treasurer, was read and referred to Com: on Ways Means & Accounts

A Communication was read from Mr Daniels offering sale of his lease to a piece of land known as the Recreation grounds, (for Fair purposes)
Communication rec'd & referred to next Board Trustees

Board of Trustees (Continued)

A Communication was read from August Wetterman

Rec'd & Referred to President with Power

A Communication was read from E. N. Torrey late member of Board of Directors of Mechanics' Institute, in reference to W. C. Hyde's being entitled to a Life Membership

Rec'd & Referred to Com'on Books & Donations to report at next meeting

The Treasurer having informed the Board that the Insurance on Building was about to expire, a Motion to have it immediately renewed was Carried, and it was so ordered

The matter of repairs to Building in rooms of College was referred to Building Committee with Power

Some discussion was had in regard to the requirements of City in regard to laying down sidewalks,

Here a recess of five minutes was had to allow Committees to examine bills. (see previous page)

It being moved and seconded that a short advertisement be inserted at intervals for three months, in the Bulletin, Alta, Call & Chronicle, stating the terms of admission &c, to the Institute, the motion was Carried and the matter refered to the Committee on Books and Donations with power

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary

Regular meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of Institute
Nov 1st 1870

Pr Prest Hallidie in chair

Absent Messrs Roach and Brunner

Minutes of previous meeting Oct 18th were read and approved

Committee on Ways Means and accounts reported the following bills approved recommending the same be paid

Geo Milne Clark & Co		3.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Salt for Oct	150.00
G. P. Coleman	" "	100.00
H. Steiglitz	" "	70.00
S. V. Water Wks		18.00
Union Ins Co	Interest	333.33
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	2.58
M. W. Peyser	Sub to Bulletin	22.50
Olmstead & Cone		13.51

Above bills were ordered paid in usual manner

Committee on Books & Donations to whom the matter had been referred reported having ascertained that the statement made in Communication from E. N. Torrey Esq in reference to W. C. Hyde being entitled to a life membership, for work performed for Institute in 1865, in accordance with agreement at that made with him, was Correct and Committee recommended a Certificate of Life Membership be issued to Mr Hyde

Report accepted and recommendation was adopted, and Certificate ordered to be issued

Committee on Ways Means and Account reported back Correct Treasurers Reports for July August and September. also the Librarians Report for same months.

Ordered that these report be spread upon the minutes. as follows

Treasurers Report of the Mechanics Institute for July 1870

Dr.

July	1st	To Cash on hand			267.35
"	31st	" " received for Rent during Month		618.00	
"	31st	" " " Collection		227.00	845.00
					$1112.35

Cr.

July	8th	By G. C. Hurlbut Salary for June		150,00	
		" G. P. Coleman " "		100,00	
		" H. Steinglitz " "		70 00	
		" Chronicle Adv.t		4 00	
		" Bulletin "		23 50	
	12	" Alta Carrier Sub.n to Alta		19 50	
	13	" Gluyas & Dutton Stationery		3 55	
	14	" S. F. Gas Co. Gas for May		79 00	
	16	" J. M. Crane & Co. Printing		7 50	
	20	" Union Ins Co.		333 33	
	21	" W. W. Pepper Sub.n to Bulletin		26 25	
		" A. L. Bancroft & Co. Books		15 37	
	27	" C. M. Plum laying old matting		6 00	
		" Chronicle adv.t		3 00	
		" Overland Monthly Sub.n		4 00	
		" J. H. O'Brien Plumbing		18 15	
		" H. H. Moore Books		44 00	
		" Olmstead & Cone		47 39	
		" T. Eastman election Tickets		4 00	
	28	" B. F. Sterrett Printing		4 00	
		" Will & Finck iron Window bars		6 00	
		" S. Valley Water Wks Water rent		12 00	
	30	" Sinking Fund 10% gross rcpts		84 50	106 49 4
		By Balance Cash on hand July 30			47 41
					1112,35

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer
per Jas L. Fields actg Treasurer

San Francisco
August 6th 1870

Treasurer's Report of the Mechanics' Institute for August 1870

"Receipts

August	1	To balance on hand		47 41
"	31	" Cash for ofc of Rents	585,00	
		" " " Collections	235,00	820 00
				867 41

Disbursements

"	1	By G. C. Hurlbut Sal.y for	21 25	
		" Barnes & Ladd Rep.s settees	9 00	
		" G. C. Hurlbut Salary for July	150 00	
		" G. P. Coleman " "	100 00	
		" H. Steinglitz " "	70 00	
		" Gas Co Gas for July	78 50	
		" S. F. Water Co Water July & Aug	24 00	
		" Spaulding & Barto Circulars	3 50	
		" D. Boyle Stationery	6 50	
		" J. Winterburn Ret Book	3 00	
		" G. C. Hurlbut Petty Cash	41 51	
		" Sinking Fund 10% of Rcts	82 00	589 26
		" Balance on hand		278 15
				867 41

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer
per Jas L. Fields, Actg T.

San Francisco Sep 1, 70

To Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen
I herewith
present my Report of the Receipts
and Disbursements for Sept 1870

Receipts

Received on account of Rent	532,00
" " " Collections	638,60
Balance in Treasury as per Aug.t rcpt	278,15
To tal	1468,75

Disbursements

Amount paid (Receipts			14685
Gas Co	Gas for July	7200	
Union Ins Co	Interest to Sep 9	33333	
G.C. Hurlbut	Salary for Aug	15000	
G.P. Coleman	" "	10000	
H. Steiglitz	" "	7000	
Librarian Petty Cash		460	
Olmstead & Cone	Books	6937	
Librarians Petty Cash		1545	
J McGrellish	Advertising	700	
H.L. Davis	Petty Cash	400	
Bancroft & Co	Books	387	
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	11906	
	Total		91868
Leaving balance in Treas. this date			53007

San Francisco Oct 7 1870

Respectfully Submitted

H. L Davis Treas

Librarian's Report for July

To the Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I beg leave to report for the month of July as follows

Received for Entrance fees		26.00
" " dues		277.90
Rent J.J. Snow	60.00	
" J. O'Donnel	60.00	
" Pacific Business Col	260.00	
" Henry Blythe	140.00	
Wm Hammond	50.00	
" J. Dizey 55 less 10	45.00	615.00
		$918.90

There remains due, for rent of the Pacific Business College for the two months ending August 1st the sum of Ninety dollars

Twenty six new have been added to the Institute viz

G. F. Reid, E. Moreau Miss Effie Hunt, J.J. Schmidt

Mrs S.S. Pomroy T. Thomson E.A. Cutting, Maggie Hendrie
B Elliot J. Aitchison Frank Card Israel Cohen
Richard Moore Frances Wheeler Geo Comstock Henry W. Daboll
Edward Weller Robt Forsyth Wm P. Johnson H.M. Wood
Octavius G. Moore J.H. Woodsum J.E. Brodrick
Wm M. Suffield Jno Simpson G.A. Patterson

Two Hundred and five volumes have been added to the Library by purchase, classified as follows:

Fiction 33, Theology 2, Travel 3, Essays 5, Government 1, Biography 1, History 2, Science & Art 150, Poetry 2

Donations have been received from

Hon W.M. Stewart	Causes of depression in American tonnage (2)
Hon C. Cole	Patent Office Report 1867 (4 vols)
Hon J.B. Axtell	Tributes of the nation to A Lincoln
Geo W. Mowe	Commissioner Cal Ins Report 1869

All of which is respectfully submitted

G.C. Hurlbut

San Francisco Aug 2d 1870 Librarian

Librarian's Report for August

To the Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I beg leave to present the following report for the month of August:

Received for initiation fees		30.00
" " Dues Collected		209.00
" from Pacific Business College Rent		240.00
" J.J. Snow "		60.00
" J.O' Donnell "		60.00
" Henry Blyth		120.00
" Wm Hammond		50.00
" Francis Dizey		55.00
		$824.00

Mr Blyth presented a bill against the Institute for $20 which has been already laid before the Board. There was still due for rent of the Business College, on the 1st Sept. One Hundred dollars, which Mr Laguna paid on the 5th inst so that there are now no arrearages against him

Thirty new members have been added to the Library viz

A. Winsor	J. P. Lyons	E. Loughlin	G. A. Dobinson
D. Mc Carty	M. L. Hausdorn	H. Steiglitz	Chas E. Kott
S. L. Pierce	A. Robinson	Mrs A. Netherby	W. T. Gregory
W. A. Brown	J. Armstrong	M. Burr Howells	G. W. Rose
J. Graham	Mrs G. J. Binder	A. L. Fish	Wilson Lewellen
G. H. Sanders	L. Boysen	John Keamy	Mrs L. Jones
Jno Evatt	Thos H. Coy	B. J. Ackerman	C. H. Coombs
Jno Storie	D. M. Bokee		

There have been added to the Library by purchase Sixty two volumes. Classified as follows: Fiction 39, Travels 2 Essays 7, Biography 6, History 2 Grammar 1, Science & Art 5,

The following donations have been received:

from Ethelbert Burke Esq, Deputy Collector
Report on manufacture of Beet Sugar & Alcohol
" on Weights Measures & Coin
(both by Commissioners to Paris Exhibition 1867)

From Special Committee Board of Supervisors
Report on Pavements

Messrs A. L. Bancroft & Co propose to do all the binding of the Institute at a fixed price of forty five Cents per volume, small and large, good half roan binding. The binding is now done, in turn by Messrs Hicks & Co Bosqui & Co and Bartling & Kimball, all members of the Institute. The price named by Bancroft & Co is extremely low

One Member Mr W. J. Stoddart has withdrawn from the Institute

All of which is respectfully submitted

San Francisco
Sep 6th 1870

C. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

Librarian's Report for September

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute — Gentlemen

I have the honor to report for the month of September as follows

Received for Initiation Fees	30.00
" " dues Collected	818.50

Received for Rent	from J. C. Donnel		60.00
"		J. T. Snow	60.00
"		Pacific Business College on ap	250.00
"		H. Blyth 140 less 8	132.00
"		W. Hammond	50.00
			1400.50

Mr T. Digby has not yet paid his rent and there remains due the sum of One Hundred dollars for rent of the Business College

The following new members have been received:

Mrs L. L. Richmond	A. A. Dearing	Geo H. Ferguson
Jacob Marlenstein	Jas C Peters	H. H. Lamont
James Keene	J. M. Heath	C. Monson
C. A. Parsons	Jas Grant	D. A. Halsey
F. L. Moore	A. H. Rapp	Bernard Peyton
Mrs B. C. House	M. Keller	D. Connell
Saml Little	J. W. Hamilton	G. B. Littlefield
A. A. Mc Lean	Peter T. Smith	C. H. Wilson
J. A. Sanderson	C. Brower	William Seaton
Monroe Hammetsburg	Arthur Kott	Louis Zell

Mr E. J. Cummings has withdrawn from the Institute,

There have been added to the Library by purchase, One hundred and fifty three volumes classified as follows: Fiction, including 53 juveniles, 103; Travel 1; Essays 9; Political Economy 6. History 3, Biography 3, Poems 5, Art & Science 23,

No donations were received in September

All of which is respectfully submitted

C. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
Oct 1st 1870

Oct 4th 1870. Since the above was written Mr de la Laguna has paid the balance due on the 1st Oct.

Treasurers Report for October was read and refered to Com. on Ways Means & Accounts, also

Librarian's report was read and refered to same Committee.

New Members therein reported being duly received and accepted.

A Communication was read from Henry Durant Esq. Pres^t Cal^a University in regard to Lectures &c.
Ordered received & referred to President

A Communication was read from Henry Blyth Esq asking to rent room in basement
Referred to Building Committee with power

Com^e on Building reported that the water bill to them referred was correct at 18$^{\text{¢}}$ that being an increased assesment. Ordered paid (see page 134)

Moved and seconded to assess the Corinthian Hall 3^{00} College 5$^{\text{¢}}$ and each of the 4 stores in building 1^{00} for Water.
Moved as an amendment that the matter be referred to Building Committee to make inquiries as to amounts Consumed by the different tenants, before assessing
Amendment Carried

Adjourned

George Pardy
Secretary.

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Nov^r 15th 1870

Mr Pres^t Hallidie in the chair

Absent Mess^{rs} Brunner, Roach and Kerr

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

Building Committee reported having rented to Capt Henry Blyth small room in basement at a rental of $10 per month he to pay for gas repairs &c.
Action approved
Committee further reported that of the four stores in building three had agreed to an assesment of $1^{00} per month for water the remaining store had not been assessed on account of it not using any of the water charged to the building, the remainder assessed objected to their being charged,
Committee further reported that repairs were being made to Rooms of Pacific Business College,
Committee recommended that Exterior of Building be painted, deeming it necessary to preserve it from damage, probable cost about $250; also that two Zinc Signs be provided for front entrance at Cost of from 45 to 65
Report received and Committee requested to procure Exact estimate of Cost for Painting, and Name Plates Laid on table,

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts reported the following bills approved recommending the same be paid

Spring Valley Water Wks	Nov^r	$18,00
M. Sweeney	sewer pipe	31.25
Gas Co	Gas for Oct^r	115.00
Gas Co	" " Sep^t	95.00
Alta Carrier	subscription	13.70
		$272.95

The above bills were ordered paid

Same Committee reported back Correct the Treasurers Report for October and also the Librarians Report for the same month
Ordered spread on Minutes

Treasurer's Report for October

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen
I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursement for October 1870

Receipts

Received on Ac of Rent	570	00
" Collections	420	
Balance in Treasury per Report of Sept 1st	550	07
	1540	07

Disbursement

Amount Paid		
S.F. Bulletin	advertising	5 00
E. Rosgni & Co	Binding Books	6 95
Olmstead & Cone	Books	46 93
Cubery & Co	Printing	4 50
D. Hicks	Binding	54 20
Union Ins Co	Interest to Oct 9th	33 33
Bancroft & Co	Books	18 20
Blyth & Wetherbee	Lumber	17 49
Water Co	Water for Sept	12 00
John Roach	Sundries	31 90
S.F. Bulletin	Advtg	5 50
G.C. Hurlbut	Salary for Sep	150 00
C.P. Coleman	" "	100 00
N. Heyblit	" "	70 00
Jno Pardy	services	4 00
Bancroft & Co	Books	119 94
J.H. O'Brien	Plumbing	28 75
Olmstead & Cone	Books	58 06
Hopps & Son	Printing	16 25
W.E. Loomis	Newspapers Periodicals	137 75
Jno W. Cherry	Painting	10 00
Ameran & Howell	Stationery	25 25
J.McCrellish & Co	Advertising	4 00
J.M. Crane	Printing	6 50
D. Charnay	Books	19 00
S.F. Chronicle	Advertising	11 50
S.F. Gas Co	Gas for Aug	95 00
G.C. Waller	Notary fees	8 00
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	99 00
	Total	$ 1560 00

Leaving balance in Treasury $19.93

San Francisco Oct 31st 1870 Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis Treasurer

Librarian's Report for October

To the Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen
I have to Report for the month of October as follows:—

Amount received for Initiation fees	23.	00
" " " Life Membership	50	00
" " " Dues Collected	224.	50
" " " Rent from H. Blyth	135.	00
" " " " Business College	250.	00
" " " " J.T. Snow	60.	00
" " " " J. O'Donnell	60	00
" " " " W. Hammond	50	00
" " " " T. Divey	55.	00
	$907.	50

Balance on hand Oct 1st	378.	80
Received in October	907.	50
	1286.	30

Payments made to Treasurer	$990.	00
Petty Cash bills not audited (67 46 / 22 00)	91.	40
Cash on hand Nov 1st	204.	90
	$1286,	30

The following new Members have joined the Institute:

William Pickett	F.N. Sheldon	Isaac Tourate	Geo R. Jesse
Richard le Dawes	D.G. Lewis	C.C. Coleman	Owen Kinderlen
W.K. Landen	Geo Bates	S. Morgan	E. Kruse
R.W. Washburn	Wm Jos Gosling	G.E. Booker	Frank Wheeler
W.E. Goodrum	John Banks	Alex C. Milne	C.S. Blair
W.C. Gibbs	W. Williamson	Geo H. Meeker	in all 23

Mr W.F. Stoddart has paid up his dues and been reinstated in his membership, subject to approval of the Board.
Mr F.L.A. Pioche has become a Life Membership of the Institute.
There have been added to the Library by purchase Sixty five Volumes, Classified as follows:
Fiction 53, Travel 3, Biography 1, History 1, Art & Scienc 6
Poetry 1, No donations have been received
All of which is Respectfully submitted
S. Francisco Nov 1st 1870 G.C. Hurlbut Libn
A communication from E.O. Belle in regard to Drawing School was referred to Com on Lectures & Classes
Adjourned G. Ed. Pardy Sec

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of Mechanics Institute
Nov. 29 1870

The meeting was called to order by President Halliday
Present Halliday Hopps Ewing Chapman Spaulding
Kibbe Kerr Moffitt and Hanscom. Absent Steiger, Davis
Roach. Brunner & Pardy. On motion reading of the
minutes was dispensed with. Report of the Treasurer
of the Horticultural Fair was received. On Motion the
Report of Managers of Horticultural Fair as amended
was received and ordered on File

A communication was received from Mr Pardy
tendering his resignation as Trustee was received and
the resignation accepted. A Vote of thanks was
ordered to be extended to Mr Pardy for the faithful
performance of the duties of Secretary during his term of
Office – the same to be extended through the Corresponding
Secretary. A communication was received from
the Board of Regents in acknowledgements of Books
&c presented by the Institute which was ordered to
be placed on file

On motion Mr Hanscom was requested to act as
Secretary pro tem. until another should be elected
On Motion adjourned

Jno. C. Hanscom
Secy protem

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of Mechanics Institute
Dec. 6 1870

Meeting called to order by President Halliday Present
Messrs Halliday, Davis, Moffitt, Kerr, Steiger, Brunner, Chapman
Hopps & Hanscom
Absent Kibbe, Spaulding, Roach & Ewing

Report of Committee on Books and Donations received and
ordered to be spread on Minutes

Minutes of Meetings of Nov. 19 read and approved Minutes
of Meeting of Nov. 29th amended so that the Letter of Board of
Regents should be spread on the minutes instead of being placed
on file

On Motion the Committee on Books and Donations were
Empowered to complete the purchase of the full number of Volumes
of the American Artisan to date. By Vote the same Committee
were ordered to Report on obtaining a complete number of
Volumes of Harpers Magazine

On Motion the Report of the Committee on Lectures and
Classes was received and ordered to be spread on the Minutes
At this time Mr Spaulding Entered and took his seat
On Motion the Report of Librarian was received, adopted
and ordered to be spread on the Minutes. The financial portion
of the same being referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
It was ordered that Corresponding Secretary return thanks of the
Institute for an unbound Copy of his "Treatise on Earthquakes"

Bids for Painting the Front portion of the Mechanics
Institute Building were read by the Secretary and on Motion
the bid of Messrs Nichols and Lubbock for the sum of One
hundred & thirty Dollars was accepted

The following Bills reported by the Committee of Ways Means
and Accounts were ordered paid

H. C. Hurlburt	Salary as Librarian	150.00
G. P. Coleman	" " Clerk "	100.00
H. Steglitz	" " Janitor	70.00

The following Bills reported by President Halliday were ordered
paid by the Board

Freight Brokerage & Drayage	2.50	$129.67
Books	76.1.3	

Bill for Gas was referred to Building Committee for Examination and to report on the same at the next Meeting

On motion the amount of Rent of Room for Dr. Bell was referred to Committee on Library and Rooms to report at next Meeting

On Motion the Board went into Election of a Member to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Lt. Purdy.

The names of Mr. Jas. McHaffie and Mr. Warren Williams were placed in nomination and on the second ballot Mr. Williams receiving Six ballots and Mr. McHaffie four votes Mr. Williams was declared Elected and the Corresponding Secretary was ordered to notify him of the same

Reports of Committees to follow + Time of Payment

Report of Committee on Books and Donations

San Francisco Dec 6 1870

To the President and
Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

The Committee on Books and Donations would respectfully report the following as the number of books added to the Library for the Quarter Ending Dec. 1st 1870

Fiction	244	Political Economy	6
Theology	2	Classics	4
Travels	7	Law	2
Essays	14	Science and Arts	84
Biography	10	Philology	1
History	7	Poetry	8
		Total	389

Your Committee would recommend the purchase of a complete set of Harper's Monthly. The Magazine is among the most popular books in the Library – The present set is in bad order and imperfect. They also think it advisable to procure a complete set of the "American Artisan" a very valuable work of reference

The Reading Room is well supplied with papers and Periodicals but your Committee can see no room for economy in the necessary Expense of these; it will on the contrary be requisite to add from time to time to the accommodations and consequently to the cost of this Department.

In regard to having a new Contract made for all Newspapers and Periodicals required by the Institute your Committee would say That up to a few days they were unable to procure the list of prices at which we are at present supplied, Consequently they were unable to act understandingly. They now have the matter under consideration and hope to be able to report at next Regular Meeting

Respectfully Submitted

Signed James Moffitt } Committee on
David Kerr } Books & Donations

Report of Committee on Lectures and Classes

San Francisco Dec. 5 1870

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

The Committee on Lectures and Classes beg leave to make the following Report

Owing to an unfortunate accident which occurred at the Lecture of Prof. Price, Sept. 10th by which the Chairman of this Committee was dangerously injured and in consequence the Committee have lost his valuable services during the entire Quarter a loss severely felt by them The Lectures of the Polytechnic Institute were interrupted somewhat and only two were subsequently given under our auspices for the Quarter under review those of Prof Carr and Dr Winslow

We are under great obligations to both these gentlemen for their ready response to our invitations to Lecture and are gratified to state that all Lectures have been well and fully attended

But we are pleased to say that the Lectures by the Professors of the University of California before the Mechanics Art College already so successfully inaugurated and in a degree under the auspices of the Mechanics Institute most fully and agreeably take the place of the Polytechnic Lectures and we think are destined to supply a much long needed in this City and hitherto unattained

As these Lectures will occupy a term of about one year (forty Lectures in number) Your Committee think their labors in this direction may close for the present

There are at present no classes in operation under the auspices of your Committee and your Committee have nothing to recommend under this head

In this Connection however we beg to report on a matter referred to us at the last regular meeting of the Board in regard to the application of Dr Bell for the free use of an unoccupied room in the Basement of the Institute Building, for the purpose of establishing a Class in Mechanical Drawing. Your Committee do not feel willing to recommend the free use of any portion of the Institute Building to any party charging Tuition fees, unless the same shall be under the control of the Committee; as we believe it would set a bad precedent for the future inasmuch as other parties might, with some show of justice, claim the same right to use the Institute's premises for other Educational purposes and charge tuition fees and thereby speculate upon the name of the Institute. The Committee have examined into the character of Dr Bell and believe him to be perfectly reliable and therefore recommend the use of the room be granted to him by the payment of a small sum monthly for such room as in the judgment of the Board they may think proper. This will check any application for the free use of the Institute Building to any party hereafter

We hope the Institute will sometime be in a position to inaugurate something in the way of free evening Classes where all, at least those who are members of the Institute, may receive instruction that will help them in their several trades and occupations

All of which is respectfully submitted

Signed { Geo Spaulding
D. P. Brunner

Librarian's Report for November 1870

San Francisco Dec 1 1870

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen

I beg leave to lay before you the following Report for the Month of November

Amt received for Life Membership		50.00
" " " Initiation Fees		48.00
" " of Dues Collected		180.00
		278.00
Rec'd from Pacific College for Rent	25.00	
" " N Blythe for Rent of Armitron Hall 2 Mos 140.00 250	13.50	
" " " " rent of Small room from Nov 9	7.00	
" " J. P. Snow for Rent	60.00	
" " J O'Donnell " "	60.00	
" " P. Divoy on Ac Rent	25.00	
" " W Hammond " "	50.00	589.50
		$867.50
Balance on Hand Nov 1	296.30	
Collections in Nov	278.00	
" Rent " "	589.50	1163.80
Paid H L Davis Treas	750.00	
Petty Cash Bills not Audited	91.40	
" " " for Nov	92.90	
Cash on hand Dec 1	229.50	1163.80

Mr de Laguna still owes to the Institute One Hundred dollars for Rent of the Business College and Mr Divoy owes Thirty dollars for the Month Ending Nov 25th besides Fifty five Dollars for the Current Month

Forty nine new members joined the Institute in November viz. H D Bacon (Life Member) R B. Dexter. W. K. Weir. Chas W Gordon Gry C. Eade L M Kerr. Patrick L Marshall. Mrs Lucy Collins, P H Canavan Geo. Sexton, Geo H Hoppe. S. Addison White. Dan'l Mulville, Moses Speirs C. W. Beardsley. J H Delahanty, LeRoy H. Parker. W F Reilley, R. H. Orton, E. W Taylor, Chas Hoppe. J. L. McLagan. A. F. Upton Jos McNevin. Mary R. Kemp, Henry Leimert. F H Fisk, Thos H. Wilson. D W Hodgkins. B F Enoch, Mrs M. Lalgrange, H. P. Fontaz J. L. Blake, F. J Welch A. P Payson. Malcolm C. White A Bryant, Mrs E. A. Reed Meyer Jacoby. H. Stendz

W C Gray. John Bittle, Reuben Sellers. C. S. Holmes
Mrs B. A Harrison. W. H. Smith, W.C Greenhalgh. E.K Eastman
Mr. J Ridley

There have been added to the Library One Hundred (and) Seventy one Volumes. classified as follows. Fiction 88. Theology 2 Travels 3, Classics 4. Essays 5. Law 2. Biography 6. History 3 Philology 1, art and Science 55, Poetry 2

Mr Thos Rowlandson has presented the Institute with an unbound Copy of his Treatise on Earthquakes

All of which is respectfully submitted
(Signed) G. C. Hurlbert
Librarian

Report of Committee on Library Rooms and Buildings

Your Committee on Library Rooms and Buildings report for the Quarter Ending Dec. 1 1870

That the Building is now in good condition and the rentable portion occupied by good tenants the Rents amounting Quarterly to $175 — Actual receipts for Rents for the last three months Rom Can

September	$552.00
October	610.00
November	539.50
	$1751.50

The monthly Water rate of the Institute (previously Twelve dollars) was raised by the Spring V. W. Co to Eighteen from the first of November. hereafter the Tenants will pay their portion of this rate. The Gas Bills for the last Quarter Rom Can

September	95.00
October	115.00
November	185.00

The Bill for November is so much larger than the average it is supposed there is some mistake in connection therewith It is now being investigated by your Committee the average rate for the Quarter would be about Three hundred & forty dollars

The alterations in the Basement under Side Walk rendered necessary for securing permanence to the work already done) have been completed and that portion of the property is now in good repair

It having been found necessary to remodel and repair the rooms occupied by the Business College Your Com-
= Mittee ordered the work to be done. Also repairing Walnut doors at principal and side Entrances & Hall. The estimated Cost of the above repairs is Two hundred & fifty Dollars

The City having ordered the repairing of Bet Street from Montgomery to Kearney and the laying of new Sidewalk in Asphaltum where needed the work has been completed during the last Quarter

The Expenses to the Institute so far as ascertained is $15.69 This is considerable but the appearance and condition of the Neighborhood has been greatly improved by the Change. The City will now accept the Street which will relieve the Institute from any further expense

The front of the Institute Building calling for repainting your Committee under instructions from the Board have asked for Estimates for the work and recommend also the erection of two Metal Signs at the front Entrance

All of which is most respectfully submitted

Signed { Robt Ewing
H Chapman
Thos E Hopps

Report of Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

San Francisco Dec 6 1870

To the President & Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Herewith please find the Quarterly Report of the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts for Quarter Ending Dec 1 1870 with statement of Receipts as per Treasurers & and Disbursements as Audited by your Committee

Catalon Fund as per last Statement	$278.15
Total Amt Received for last three Months	2910.00
	$3188.15

Disbursements for the Quarter

10% to Sinking Fund	291.06
Paid for Gas	307.50
" " Advertising	43.50
" " Stationery	25.25
" " Salaries	960.00
" " Periodicals & Newspapers	189.15
" " Binding Books	122.15
	$1938.61

Amount Forward	1938.61	3188.15
Paid for Lectures	13.25	
" " Printing	26.00	
" " Insurance	28.00	
" " Water	48.00	
" " Interest	666.66	
" " Repairs	74.60	
" " Furniture	21.85	
" " New Books	321.46	
" " Sundries Petty Cash	43.20	3181.63

There has been received on Pavilion ⅞ $2695.47
And paid out on the same ⅞ 1257.75
Which leaves a balance to the Credit of that ⅞ of 1437.72
This ⅞, which is being kept Separate from the regular account of the Institute for the present, includes the the amount of 1579 72/100 Dollars which was Transferred from the Horticultural Fair ⅞ to the Pavilion ⅞

The Sinking Fund ⅞ which has a balance to its credit by the last Report of 1388.55 has had added to its credit the sum of $291.49 being 10% of the Receipts of the last Quarter. There has been Expended from this ⅞ $796.60 for Taxes which leaves a balance on hand to the Credit of the Sinking Fund the amount of $1883.04/100. Another demand for Taxes for Repairing the Street and making new Sidewalks will still further reduce this Fund.

The Expenses of the Institute for the last Quarter have been kept as low as possible as the means have become quite limited. Since your Committee's last Report a source of Income has been established in the Renting of the Pavilion which will be of great advantage to the Institute. There has also been a gain of over One Hundred paying members to the Institute which is not only gratifying as to the repute and benefits of the Library and Reading Rooms but is also a pecuniary aid which we so much stand in need of at the present time.

Your Committee feel glad that the several suggestions made in the last Report have been favorably acted upon and they hope and trust that each member of the

Board will watch vigilantly the Expenses of the Institute so that not a single dollar may be paid out unnecessarily

All of which is respectfully submitted

(Signed) Jno H Gunsom (Com. on Ways Means & Accounts

Treasurer's Report of Sinking Fund

San Francisco Dec 1 1870

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Quarterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements on ⅞ of the Sinking Fund

Receipts

For September	119.06	
" October	99.00	
" November	73.00	
Bal in Treasury as per last Report	1388.55	1679.61

Disbursements

City & County Taxes for 1870 & 71	796.60
Bal to Credit of Sinking Fund	$883.01

Resp'y Submitted
(Signed) Henry L Davis
Treasurer

Treasurer's Report for November 1870

San Francisco Dec 1 1870

To the President and Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for November 1870

Receipts

Cash received on Ac Rents		605.00	
" " " Collections		125.00	
	Total		730.00

Disbursements

Paid H Winzel	repg Clock	7.50	
" M W Pryor	Sal'y to Bulletin	22.50	
" McNally & Hawkins	Plumbing	3.40	
" G. C. Hurlburt	Salary for Oct'r	150.00	
" G P Coleman	" " "	100.00	
" H Steglitz	" " "	70.00	
" Geo Milne Parker & Co	Gas Fixtures	3.00	
" Olmsted & Cone	Books	13.51	
" Water Co	Water for Oct'r	18.00	
" Michael Greaney	Laying Cement Pipe	31.25	
" Union Ins Co	Ins'c to Nov'r 9	333.33	
" Alta Courier	Sal'y to Alta	13.70	
" Gas Co	Gas for Sept'r	95.00	
" " "	" " Oct'r	115.00	
" " "	" in Basement	2.50	
" Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	73.00	
" Due Treasurer	for Oct'r	19.93	1071.62

Leaving Bal due Treasurer $ 341.62

Respy Submitted

(Signed) Henry L Davis
Treasurer

Leave Two pages for Treasurers Report of Receipts &c

Quarterly Meeting (adjourned) of the Institute.
Rooms of the Institute,
December 8th, 1870.

Mr President Hollida in the chair.

Present, a Quorum.

The Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read and approved.

The President then read his quarterly Report for the Quarter ending Nov 30th, 1870, which was received and ordered spread on the Minutes.

President's Quarterly Report for the Quarter ending Nov. 30th 1870.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit my Report for the Quarter, ending November 30th, 1870.

By reference to the Reports of the various Standing Committees, the condition of each department of your Institution will be understood in detail. It is gratifying to find a general recognition of the improving and advancing condition of your Society, and which, under the judicious and careful attention of your Trustees I feel sure will continue in that direction.

Just previous to my last Report, the Board of Managers had held a Horticultural Fair, under the auspices of this Society, and although the times were not propitious, and very many things were against it, the result proved the wisdom of their action and indulged to the Society, as per statement appended, $1579 12/100, besides having the good effect of awakening the class most directly interested, so that there is now a Horticultural Society in existence, which bids fair to wield a leading influence on these interests in California, and which should receive the hearty cooperation of all concerned.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Horticultural and Zoological Fair is as follows:

Receipts.

From sale of Season and Admission Tickets	$598.65
" Soda, Candy, Ice Cream Stands	115.00
" State Warrant	1500.00
	$1533.65
Less discount on Currency	1.35
Total Receipts	$1532.30

Amount Forward		$7532.30
Disbursements.		
Premiums	1158.25	
Advertising	984.90	
Printing and Posting	471.75	
Decorations and Pictures	963.88	
Superintendent and Clerks	438.75	
Pay Roll, Mechanics, Laborers &c.	591.75	
Music	790.00	
Gas and Water	293.40	
Sundries	259.90	
Total Disbursements		5952.58
Balance to Cr. of Fair		$ 1579.72

Which amount has been transferred to the Pavilion Fund.

The position of the Pavilion is still unchanged. One portion has been occupied for Roller Skating, and the City Hall Commissioners have been granted the free use of the Art Gallery for the Exhibition of competitive designs for the new City Hall; the nave being now occupied by a religious Society for Sunday preaching, Church Fairs, and kindred uses.

The necessary steps have been taken to prepare for the Eighth Industrial Exhibition, and the Managers have decided to open the same on Tuesday, 3 August, 1871. Due notice has been given in order to enable the Mechanics, Manufacturers, Inventors and Producers to prepare, and 10,000 Circulars have been distributed throughout the U.S. and 7,000 throughout various other countries.

The Managers have issued a list of Cash Premiums, which are offered for Reports, Essays and Exhibits, printed copies of which can be obtained at the Librarian's desk. As the subjects included in this list are all of the utmost value to California and to this City I would draw your most careful attention to the same.

It has been suggested, and the suggestion is a good one, that as there are many other subjects which might be treated and for which Premiums should be offered, it would be worthy the Consideration of those particularly or generally interested, to offer through the Institute such premiums as they deem advisable, under the same rules and regulations.

Every effort will be made to render the forthcoming Exhibition a success, and when it is remembered that some years must elapse before another Exhibition can be held, the Pavilion building having to be removed from Union Square by 1 November, 1871, and the peculiar position of the industries of this State, and which it is the mission of this Exhibition and its subsequent reports to make better understood, there can be no doubt that all will join in making it a credit and an honor to California and a benefit to your Society.

The limit of your usefulness is necessarily gauged by your pecuniary means,

and although the debt of the Society has been reduced, its receipts increased, the number of its reference books largely augmented, increasing the value of its 17,000 volumes, and the cost of membership reduced, all this has been done slowly and honorably, and by hard work, and I cannot doubt but that your Library may be admitted to be a Public Library in every sense of the word, although not the only one on the Pacific Coast; and while doing this work your Society has been, as I hope it ever will be, assisting within the limit of its means other Institutions and Organizations.

At the last Quarterly meeting of the Institute it was suggested that instead of advertising the meetings of this Society, a notice should be served through the Post Office, or personally. The Trustees have Considered this suggestion and the objection to it is that the time of the Officers is so much taken up with the regular duties of the Society that the necessary time could not be found, but it is the unanimous opinion of the Board that it might be attained by the members leaving with the Librarian, say ½ dozen Envelopes, stamped and properly addressed, so that notices might be enclosed and mailed.

I would draw your attention to the fact that the Constitution does not provide for honorary Membership. I think that there should be such a provision, as a recognition of valuable services.

I would also say that the Board of Trustees will at all times receive any suggestions from the members individually for the advancement of the Society's interest.

Reports of the Various Committees, etc.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building report: The building in good condition and the rentable portion occupied by good tenants, whose rents amount to $1875 $^{00}_{100}$ per Quarter; various repairs having been made in the drainage; the sidewalk and street having been repaired and placed in good Condition, by order of the City, at a cost of $145 $^{69}_{100}$, the Street will now be accepted by the City, and save further outlay by your Society. The front of the Building has been ordered to be painted.

The Committee on Lectures and Classes report: That it had continued the free Polytechnic lectures, with slight interruption, until the University of California instituted a Course of 40 Lectures, under the eminent Professors of the University, before the Mechanic Arts College, which, we are pleased to say, under the arrangement with the Regents of the University, are held every Saturday evening in the Lecture Hall of your Society. These lectures, which are given under the auspices of the University and the rules of its Faculty, to students who have enrolled themselves with the intention of attending the entire course, have met with the approval of the entire public, and those interested, and the fact that the entire number allotted for this class, viz, 500,

has been taken up, and about 80 are waiting opportunity to attend, is sufficient evidence that this movement of the University was a good one, and supplies in part a want in this city.

The Committee point out the necessity of organizing, as soon as practicable, evening lectures, nominally free to Members of the Institute, and other educational means, as it believes that much of the thoughtlessness and, to some extent, vice of the youths of this city are due to the absence of these needful stimulants to good citizenship.

The Committee of Books and Donations report: That during the last quarter there have been added to the Library the following works: Science and Art 84, Poetry 8, Theology 2, Travels 7, Essays 14, Biography 10, Fiction 244, Political Economy 6, Law 2, Classics 4, Philology 1, History 7; in all, 389.

The Committee recommend increased accommodations for the Reading Room on account of the increased attendance of members.

The Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts report: The details of some of the expenditures for the last Quarter, as follows:

Sinking Fund	$ 291.06	
Gas	307.50	
Advertising	43.50	
Stationery	25.25	
Salaries	960.00	
Periodicals & Newspapers	189.15	
Binding Books	122.15	
Lectures	13.25	
Printing	26.00	
Insurance	28.00	
Water	48.00	
Interest (2 months)	666.66	
Repairs	74.60	
Furniture	21.85	
New Books	321.46	
Sundries	43.20	$ 3181.43

The Treasurer's Report for each months contains full and explicit account of Receipts and Expenditures, which the Committee has found correct and to which it refers.

The Committee report a gratifying increase in Membership, and consequently receipts, while the expenditures have been economically managed, and not all essential.

The Librarian's Report shows that 101 Members and 2 Life Members have joined during the last Quarter.

The Treasurer's Report for the Quarter is as follows:

Receipts.

Institute Fund, September,	$ 1190.60	
Amount Brought Forward	$ 1190.60	
Institute Fund, October	990.00	
do , November	730.00	
Balance 31st August	278.15	3188.75
Sinking Fund, September	119.06	
do October	99.00	
do November	73.00	
Balance 31st August	1388.55	1679.61
Pavilion Fund, September	244.75	
do October	289.25	
do November	2161.47	2695.47
Total Receipts, 3 mos		$ 7563.83

Disbursements

Institute Fund, September	$ 918.68	
do October	1560.00	
do November	1051.69	3530.37
Sinking Fund for Taxes		796.60
Pavilion Fund, September	476.95	
do October	629.50	
do November	151.30	1257.75
Total Disbursements		$ 5584.72
Balance on hand in various funds		1979.11
Amount to balance		$ 7563.83

(signed) A.S. Hallidie, President.

San Francisco, Dec 8th, 1870.

Notice was given by Mr R.A. Marden that, at the next Quarterly meting of the Institute, he will offer an Amendment to the Constitution providing for Honorary Membership.

On motion, The resignation of Mr Pardy, as Trustee of the Institute, was accepted, and the action of the Board of Trustees in the election of Mr W.H. Williams was ratified.

On motion of Mr R.A. Marden, the thanks of the Members of the Institute were tendered to the Board of Regents of the University of California, and to President Hallidie, in particular, for their successful efforts in the inauguration of a course of free Lectures by the Mechanic Arts College.

On Motion, adjourned.

George Spaulding
Secy Pro Tem

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees,
Rooms of the Institute,
Dec. 20th, 1870.

The Meeting was called to order by President Hallidie.

Absent:

Mess. Roach, Kibbe, Steiger, Chapman and Hanscom.

The reading of the Minutes of previous meeting was dispensed with.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported, recommending the purchase of One Dozen Chairs for use in the Reading Room.

The Committee on Books and Donations presented a Communication concerning the Librarian's salary, which was made the special order for the next meeting.

A Communication was received from Gen. Ord, accompanying donation of a set of military Maps of Sections and Districts, in which some of the important operations of the recent war occurred. The Cor. Secretary was requested to return thanks of the Institute for this donation.

A Communication was received from Congressman Axtell, offering to present sets of National documents to the Library of the Institute, on payment of transportation charges. The Corresponding Secretary was requested to reply, accepting the offer, and thanking Mr Axtell on behalf of the Institute.

The matter of purchase of books, offered for sale by Prof. Fisher, was laid over for one week.

A Communication from Mr Chas. E. Johnson regarding a Portable fence, was referred to Mr Hanscom, Chairman Comm. Ways, Means & Accounts.

The following bills were ordered to be paid:

Plum, Bell & Co	12.00
Mahon, Rapp, Thomas & Co	8.50
Eldridge & Middleton	32.00
San Francisco Gas Co.	135.00
Spring Valley Water Works, to 1 Dam	18.00
Locke & Montague	22.50
J. H. O'Brien & Co	59.70
A. A. McLean	8.50

Moved and voted that order be drawn on the Sinking Fund for payment of street assessment, amounting to $370.54.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building was instructed to have wood work in rear of Institute painted as cheaply as possible.

On Motion, adjourned.

George Spaulding
Sec'y Pro tem

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Jany 3rd 1871.

The meeting was called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent

Messrs Roach, Kerr, Steiger, Brunner and Hanscom

W. H. Williams was elected Rec. Sec'y of the Board.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved as read.

On motion the Rec. Secretary was requested to notify Mr. Laguna that the rent for the rooms occupied by him, must be paid monthly in advance, and that all repairs that he may hereafter desire must be done at his own Expense.

The following bills were ordered to be paid Viz—

Olmstead & Co.	$110.16
C. W. Gordon	6.00
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	162.80
do	8.60
do	7.50
H. E. Loomis	198.53
A. Roman & Co.	9.30
Cal. Horticulturist	4.00
Alta California	11.70
J. M. Crane & Co.	119.50
D. Hicks & Co	49.00
do.	6.00
A. A. Fry & Co	21.60
Dewey & Co.	6.00
Bartling & Kimball	46.63
F. Eastman	5.00
S. F. Chronicle	4.00
S. F. Bulletin	2.50
Spaulding & Barto	17.50
F. McCrillish & Co	1.00
Plum, Bell & Co.	14.25
J. M. Eckfeldt & Co.	3.33
Eldridge & Middleton	16.00
E. K. Howes & Co.	3.00
G. C. Hurlbut	150.00
G. P. Coleman	100.00
A. Steglitz	70.00
W. Westgate	75.00
do	75.00
Cor	$1303.90

Amount forward		$1303.90
W. Westgate	9.60	
C. L. Tilden	165.50	
Blythe and Netherbee	4.50	
Baum & Ladd.	9.00	
W. F. Canham.	8.40	
W. H. A. Smith.	6.25	$1507.15

Bill of G. O. Whitney $24.00 for 1 doz Cask office chairs and Librarians Petty Cash account laid over for next meeting.

Librarian's Report for Month of December 1870.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanic's Institute

Gentlemen

I have the honor to lay before you, the following report for the month of December 1870.

Received for Initiation Fees	34.00	
Collections	836.25	
from L. F. Brow for Rent	60.00	
J. O'Donnell	60.00	
Pacific Bus. College on Acct	250.00	
A. Blythe for Rent	140.00	
W. Hammond "	50.00	
F. Dixey on Acct "	72.50	$1502.75

Balance on hand Dec 1st	$433.80	
Collections in December	870.25	
Rents collected "	632.50	$1936.55

Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer	$1429.50	
Petty Cash bills not audited	184.30	
do to 1st of January	94.17	
Cash in safe January 1st	228.58	$1936.55

Thirty four (34) new members have joined the Institute Viz:-

W. Kienan,	T. A. Moran,	W. H. Clarie.	B. Fehneman.
J. W. Lawton,	J. R. Maurau,	Chas. Thompson	E. Knowlton,
Asa. R. Wells,	W. C. Robinson	J. Steyeman,	A. Bucknell -
F. E. White,	John Wall,	B. Cottle,	Jno. F. Hughes-
J. L. Hussey.	E. A. Stockton	W. McFarlane,	J. Wilkinson
David Simpson,	Jas. Keegan.	A. Frie	Jas. F. Coyle.

F. P. Davis, Thos. Evans, Chas Lubbock, Willis Hart,
J. John Cochrane, J. Annesley. Thos. Cheesman, Isaac Poly,
H. C. Stevenson, M. J. Hawley.

The following have withdrawn from the Institute:

W. F. Whittier, A. A. McLean, Josiah Griswold, David Santelles. and Edw. McLean, C. F. Marwedell having removed some months since to the East, is also to be counted as withdrawn.

There remains due for Rent from Mr. Dixey the sum of Sixty seven 50/100 dollars to the 25th January, Mr. de Laguna has this day paid One hundred dollars, balance against him to the 1st January.

There has been added to the Library, by purchase 106 volumes classified as follows. Fiction 67, Wit and Humor 1, Travels 6, Essays 6, Biography 4, History 6, Games 1, Art & Science 14, Poetry 3.

Donations have been received

from Gen, E. O. C. Ord
Military Maps, illustrating operations of Armies of Potomac and James.

from Treasurer Spinner,
Annal Report of Treasurer of U. S. for 1870.

from Rep. S. B. Axtell.
Daily Congressional Globe during the Session,

from Board of Supervisors.
San Francisco Municipal Reports 1869-70

from D. L. Perkins Esq.
Report of Department of Agriculture 1869.

from H. C. Kibbe Esq.
The faithless guardian
Intuition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian.

San Francisco
January 3rd 1871.

Report of Librarian accepted, names for membership accepted, Financial portion of same reffered to Committee on Ways and Means, and Cor. Secretary requested to return thanks to Gen Ord for Donations.

Treasurer's Report for Month of December 1870.

To the President and Board
of Trustees of the Mechanics
Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith present my report of the Receipts and disbursements for December 1870.

Receipts.

On a/c of Rents	$637.00	
" " " Collections	792.50	$1429.50

Disbursements.

Amount paid		
G. C. Hurlbut Salary for Nov	$150.00	
G. P. Coleman " " "	100.00	
H. Steiglitz " " "	70.00	
B. Quaritch Books	380.31	
A. S. Hallidie, Freight + chgs on books	129.67	
Union Ins. Co. Interest to Dec. 9.	333.33	
Water Co. water for Nov.	18.00	
Union Ins. Co. Premium on Policy	122.50	
J. H. O'Brien & Co. Plumbing	59.70	
A. A. McLean Printing	8.20	
Mahon, Knapp & Thomas Printing	8.50	
Eldridge & Middleton Coal	32.00	
Plum, Bell & Co, Door Mat	12.00	
Bal, due Treas, as per Report for Nov	341.62	
10 % of Receipts to Sinking Fund	142.95	$1908.78

Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $479.28

San Francisco January 2d 1871

Respfly Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas.

Report of Treasurer referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

Moved that an order be drawn and payable by the Treasurer for current interest of the month Carried

Mr Spaulding moved that the salary of the Librarian be increased to $175. per month

Mr Hoppe substitute to lay the same over until the next meeting was carried -

Communications read -

from R. F. Mason relating to Leffingwell's Gas Governor referred to Building Committee -

from Thos. Young offering to dispose of the 'Illustrated News'

from 1842 to 1856, 28 vols for $500. referred to Committee on Books and Donations

On motion, adjourned

W. H. Williams
Rec. Secty

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute.
January 17th 1870

Meeting called to order Pres. Halliday in the chair.
Absent

Messrs Davis, Roach, Chapman, Hoppe, Hanscom and Moffitt.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved as read.

Hanscom came in and took his seat, and Kittle granted leave to retire.

Communication from Mr Chas. Roesch asking for the use a Room in the Institute Building for the purpose of giving instructions in the Art of Mechanical Drawing Referred to Building Committee.

Communication for S. B. Axtell M. C, setting forth schedule of Books and papers sent by him for the benefit of the Institute, Ordered placed on file.

Communication from Mr. N. W. Smith tendering, as a gift to the Institute, an accompanying Carved Bracket with the request that the same may be placed in an appropriate position in the Chess Room. Gift accepted and the Building Committee ordered to dispose of the bracket as desired by the donor, and that the Corresponding Sec return the thanks of the Board.

Committee on Ways and Means reported the following bills, which were ordered paid:

S. F. Chronicle	$2.00	
S. F. Bulletin Co.	2.50	
Geo. O. Whitney & Co	24.00	$28.50

On Motion, adjourned.

W. H. Williams
Rec. Secty.

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
February 7th 1871

Meeting called to order Pres. Halliday in the Chair
Absent

Messrs

Roach, Kerr, Steiger, Chapman, Brunner, Hoppe

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved as read.

Building Committee reported having made arrangement with Chas. Roesch, to let the Supper Room to him for the purpose of carrying on a Drawing School, Mr Roesch to pay $15 per month for the use of same, and All Members of the Institute desiring to join the School to be charged $1 per month less than the Regular Tuition.

Also report adverse to Mr. De Laguna's request to have Regulator placed on mine. Report accepted and actions of Committee approved.

Committee on Ways, Means and accounts report, that the Librarian's Report for Month of December be accepted, with the Exception of item $51.80 for Eight Industrial Exhibition. Also report Treasurer's report for month of December Correct, and the following bills which were ordered paid.

T. C. Hurlburt	Salary	$150.00	
T. P. Coleman	"	100.00	
H. Steiglitz	"	70.00	
Olmstead & Cone		33.39	
A. L. Bancroft & Co		9.10	
Evening Bulletin		26.25	
Librarian's Petty Cash		6.42	
" "		14.00	$141.21
			7.78
			$425.02

A. L. Bancroft & Co. $3.25
Pac. Rural Press 4.53
7.78

Librarian's Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanic's Institute

Gentlemen

I have the honor to report for the Month of January as follows

Amount received for Initiation Fees		$31.50
" " " Dues collected		324.00
" " " Rent S. F. Brass	60.00	
" " " " J. O. Donnel	60.00	
" " " " P. B. College	250.00	
" " " " H. Blythe	112.50	
" " " " N. Hammond	50.00	$918.00

Balance on hand January 1st	$507.05	
Collections in January	355.50	
Received for Rents in do.	562.50	$1425.05
Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer	$962.15	
" Petty Cash bills not audited	278.47	
" " " January	87.20	
Cash in safe February 1st	97.23	$1425.05

The Pacific Business College still owed for rent to the 1st of February One hundred dollars, at the close of the last month. This amount has since been paid. Mr. F. Dixey is in arrears for rent, to the amount of One hundred and twenty two 50/100 dollars.

Thirty two new members have joined the Institute Viz:—

Ed. Duncan	Thos. Calverley	J. A. Donovan,	Wm H. G. Rollins,
Wm. E. R. Jacobs	Justus Krumbein,	A. J. Quinlin,	N. W. Blanchyte
Chas. Gunner,	David M. Dunn	Joseph M. Pierce	Alex Collin
Henry N. Shuttleworth	B. F. Sherman,	H. M. Fenton,	A. de Leo de Laguna
Henry Reising,	M. F. Tuthill	R. F. Condon,	John Healey
W. L. Cole	L. Jaffe	H. Steinegger,	J. H. Carey
Munroe Russell,	S. R. Davis	Ed. Walker	Ida A. Kelly
E. B. Greene	Chas. Patton,	Chas. F. Hall	W. Bent.

Of these Mr Thos. Calverley was brought in by Mr W. J. Stoddard who retained half the Initiation fee, in accordance with the arrangement made with him some months ago. This arrangement he now cancels and has returned the memorandum book of receipts.

There have been added to the Library, by purchase Sixty three volumes, classified as follows:- Fiction 10, Theology 2 Travel 3, Essays 6, Biography 2, History 3, Science and Art 3, Bound Periodical 1, Poetry 3.

Donations have been received

from Hon. Eugene Casserly

Report Commissioners Internal Revenue 1869
Official Army Register 1870
Paraguayan Investigation
U. S. Geological Survey of Colorado and New Mexico
Memorial Addresses on death of Wm Pitt Fessenden
Smithsonian Report 1868
Annual Report of the Dept. Special Com. Revenue Commerce & Navigation 1868, 1869 2 vols
Land Office Report 1868.
Howard's Hatch San Domingo Investigation
Report of Department of Agriculture for 1868, 1869 2 vols.
Report of Commercial Relations 1868.

Reports on Total Solar Eclipse of Aug 7th 1869

from Wm H. Bates, Chicago.

American Ships, Past & Present Part 1.

from Hon. S. B. Axtell.

Bound volumes of Congressional Globe
for 1st Session 40th Congress 1 Vol.
" 2d " do. 5 "
The trial of the President 1 "
3rd Session 40th Congress 3 "
1st " 41st do. 1 "
2d " " 1 "

from the National Conference of Unitarian and Other Christian Churches

Report of the 4th Meeting at New York Oct. 1870.

from Hon. Cornelius Cole

Annual Report of Dep. Sp. Commissioners of Revenue Commerce and Navigation 1869.
Smithsonian Report 1868
Reports on Total Eclipse of Aug 7th 1869
Patent Office Reports 4 Vols, 1867.
Report of Commissioner to the Paris Exposition 1867. 6 vols.

Three members have withdrawn from the Institute, Viz:-

Messrs. C. Z. Wilson, S. Morgan and David Williams.

Respectfully Submitted

G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian.

San Francisco
February 6th 1870.

Report accepted, names of new members approved and the financial portion of Report referred to Committee on Ways Means, and accounts. Corresponding Secretary to return thanks of the Institute for Donations received. Matter of Dixey's Rent referred to Building Committee.

Treasurers Report.

To the President and Board of
Trustees of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for January 1871

Receipts

Received on a/c of Rents	$562.50
" " " Collections	399.65
Total	962.15

Disbursements

Amt pd

W. E. Loomis	Papers & Magazines	$198.53
O. Hicks & Co	Binding	6.
Eldridge & Middleton	Coal	16
Spaulding & Barto	Printing	17
O. Hicks & Co	Binding	49.
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	172.88
Baum & Cuddy	Repairs	9.
Olmstead & Cine	Books	110.
J. C. Hurlburt	Salary for Dec.	150.
C. P. Coleman	do.	100.
H. Stieglitz	"	70.
W. F. Cunham	Painting	5.40
Bartling & Kimball	Binding	44.63
A. Roman & Co	Books	9.30
J. M. Eckfeldt & Co.	Mic Netting	3.33
Plum, Bell & Co	Upholstering	14.25
Frank Eastman	Printing	5.
Dewey & Co	Books	6
Carrier Alta Cal	Subscription	11.70
Union Ins Co	Int. to June 9	333.33
Locke & Montague	Repairs	22.50
Chronicle	Advertising	11
Bulletin	do.	3.50
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Nov.	135.
E. K. Howe & Co	Large Tub	3
C. L. Tilden	Repairs	165.50
H. H. Keyt & Co	Books	19.45
Cal. Horticulturist	Subscription	4
Water Co.	Water for Dec	18.
Geo O. Whitney & Co	12 chairs	24
Sinking Fund 10 cts of Receipts		96.21
Bal. due Treasurer per Report for Dec		179.28
	Total	$2309.99

Balance due Treasurer this date $1347.84

San Francisco
Feby 1st 1871

Respty Submitted
Henry L. Davis, Treasurer

Report referred to Committee on Ways, Means and accounts.

Special Committee appointed on the claim of Wm Summerhays of $5 for services rendered, report that the claim was correct and recommended that the same be paid. Report accepted, Committee discharged and the bill ordered paid out of the Pavilion Fund

Brunner, Hoppe and Kin here came in and took their seats

Report of Special Committee on Eighth Industrial Exhibition read, Record and referred to future Board of Managers

Communication from Mr Hamilton was read, setting forth his mode of preserving woods, Referred to Building Committee

Communication from Mr. A. H. Havell read, tendering a Lecture for the Benefit of the Institute, referred to Committee on Classes and Lectures.

Communication from Trustee Chapman read, begging to be excused for non attendance at this meeting.

Communication from N. S. Wales referred to future Board of Managers.

At the request of Trustee Roach, the Trustees declared his seat vacant, and the election to fill vacancy so caused, be made the special business for the next meeting, and that the Corresponding Secretary tender Mr Roach the thanks of the Board for past services.

On motion the salary of Mr Hurlburt Librarian was increased to $175 per month, to date from February 1st 1871

Bill on contract for Painting Front of Institute Building brought up and after some discussion, laid over to next meeting

On motion adjourned.

W. H. Williams
Rec. Secty

Regular Meting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
February 21st 1871

Meting called to order President Hallide in the Chair
Absent
Mssrs Davis, Kerr, Kibbe, Hoffs, Hanscom and Moffit

Reading minutes of previous meting dispensed with.
Building Committee reported in favor of paying Bill for Painting front of Building, Report accepted and bill ordered paid—
On Motion the Corresponding Secretary was requested to Communicate with the City Hall Commissioners, and solicit from them for the benefit of the Institute any reports that they may have in regard to the Plans submitted for the proposed new City Hall, that the same may be placed on file in the Rooms of the Institute for future reference

Committee on Ways & Means reported the following bills, which were ordered paid

S.F. Water Co	Water to March 1st 1870	$36.00
Eldridge & Middleton	Coal	33.00
Haste & Kirk	do.	30.00
Brewster & James	Light Plate glass	50.00
A.M. Corbett	Plastering	11.50
S.F. Gas Co.	Gas to Feby 1st 71	125.80
Hoffs & Son	Lettering & Numbering	10.00
J.H. O'Brien & Co	Shades & Burners	9.00
S.F. Gas Co.	Gas for Dec. 1870	118.00
J.H. O'Brien & Co	Plumbing	35.10
Librarians Petty Cash		4.00 $495.10

Communication from Jno. F. Snow read, asking permission to place sign on building, under direction of Building Committee, request granted
On motion adjourned

W.H. Williams
Rec Secty—

Special Meting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
March 2d 1871

Meting called to order President Hallide in the Chair—
Action of allowing Evening School to occupy a Room in the Basement of the Institute Building agreed to.

Quarterly Reports of the Various Committees—

San Francisco March 1st 1871

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute.

Gentlemen

Herewith your Committee respectfully submit a report for the Quarter ending Feby 28th 1871, The Committee would state that they find the accounts of the Institute Kept in a true and faithful manner.

The Committee would respectfully suggest that Written Contracts, for all work done and supplies furnished the Institute should be made in a proper form in writing, that the Institute may not have to suffer in consequence which it lately has had to do. The various Committees are again respectfully urged to be as economical as possible in the Expenditures as already the receipts are falling behind the Disbursements each month.

Your Committee would also suggest that bids be received after publick notice has been given, for the supplies of Books, Newspapers and Periodicals for either Six Months or one year, The present prices paid, in our estimation could be somewhat reduced.

The total amount of Bills audited by your Committee and by the Board of Trustees for the Quarter ending Feby 28th 1871, is Two Thousand Five hundred and Eighty 49/100 Dollars ($2580.49) and is divided for the following purposes:— Viz— New Books, Furniture Repairing, Insurance, Water, Printing, Lectures, Binding Books, Salaries, Periodicals and Newspapers, Stationery, Advertising & Gas.

Since our last report the Mortgage indebtedness of the Institute has been reduced three thousand ($3000) Dollars, This was accomplished by money received from the Pavilion Fund—

Respectfully Submitted

Jno O. Hanscom
David Kerr
H Chapman
} Committee of Ways Means & Accounts

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building report for the Quarter ending Feby 28th 1871.

The Building and Rooms in tolerably good order condition and not likely to require any serious repairs. The Library Rooms are well kept and attended.

The monthly rental of the Building is now Six hundred and twenty five Dollars ($625.) and the rental portion occupied by good steady tenants.

There is nothing to report of the Pavilion, which is still in the hands of the Skating Company and in good condition.

San Francisco
March 2d 1871.

Robt Ennig
H. Chapman
Chas E. Hopps

The Committee on Books and Donations would report for the Quarter ending Feby 28th 1871

The number of new books added to the Library by purchase is 234, classified as follows. Fiction 153, Miscellaneous 2, Travels 11, Essays and Philosophy 14, Biography 8, History 12, Games Science and Art 30, Poetry 9, Theology 6, Law 1, Bound Periodicals 1.

Valuable donations of various Government documents have been received from our Senators and Representatives in Congress, and the Institute is under obligations to members for contributions of Maps, Reports and foreign newspapers.

It has been thought advisable to furnish the Chess Room with a number of books on Chess and Draughts, and your Committee would recommend the purchase of three (3) new sets of draughtsmen.

Your Committee have it in view to number the volumes in the Reference Library and hope soon to be able to report the work done.

San Francisco
March 2d 1871

Geo Spaulding
David Rix.

Recommendation to purchase two (2) sets of Draughtsmen adopted—

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen.

The Committee on Lectures and Classes present their report for the Quarter ending Feby 28th 1871

The Lectures which were commenced in the preceding quarter by the Mechanics Arts College of the University of California mentioned in our last quarterly report are still in progress, and Students and Visitors show no lack of interest in them, many vacancies have occured on the Roll, by non-fulfillment of the rules, but they have been immediately filled by others, whose names are enrolled for that purpose. A course of Lectures have been given by Professors Joseph and John LeConte followed by Prof. Ezra S. Carr, who has delivered so far ten lectures of a series of seven on Chemistry and its Application.

The Board of Regents and the professors of the University deserve great credit for their endeavors in establishing the Mechanics' Art College in our City; and the result shows that they will not be disappointed in its practicable benefits to those who attend. Many of the Students, we are glad to learn, have addopted the commendable habit of taking note upon the subject treated upon, for future study and examination, and we have no doubt that at the close of the course more than one will be able to pass the necessary examination to enable him or her to receive a University certificate.

All honor to the first effort of our Youthful University to give Popular Education an impetus here in our city: And to the Mechanics' Institute, which has so liberally and warmly seconded the efforts of the Board of Regents, May the two hereafter go hand in hand and work in unison to promote the cause of popular education and the advancement of Science, the industries and the Mechanic Arts.

In regard to classes, the Committee have nothing to report and in consequence no recommendation to offer under this head—

The recent public calamity, the burning of the Lincoln School House, having temporarily disarranged the Schools held in it, permission has been granted through the Board of Education, to the masters of the Evening Drawing Classes, to use an un-occupied room in the Basement of our Building for the purposes of continuing that branch of education, they simply paying the Gas bills. If it is necessary, we recommend that the action of the President of this Board in granting this permission be sustained

The Committee recommend that an increase of Salary to the janitor of the Institute be granted, to him for extra services in attending to the Institute on Saturday evenings. He is necessarily detained until late at night, and his ordinary duties require him to be at the Institute early in the morning, We therefor recommend that

the sum of $2 per week extra be granted him from the funds of the Institute so long as the necessity of this extra labor shall continue, In recommending this increase of salary we will say that the inauguration of the Course of Lectures by the Mechanic Arts College has in many ways otherwise levied the Expenses of the Institute in the Lecture Department as our advertising and printing bills have been stopped, so that no additional Expense, even with this increase of salary, will be incurred by the Institute, but will be a saving for the Institute.

San Francisco
March 1st 1871

Geo. Spaulding
B. F. Brunner

To the President and Board of
Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute
Gentlemen

I herewith present my Quaterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Months of December January and February.

Receipts.

for December 1870		$1129.00	
" January 1871		962.15	
" February "		2239.97	$4631.62

Disbursements.

for December 1870		$1567.16	
" January 1871		1830.71	
" February "		713.89	
Amt due Treas. as per last Quat. Report.		341 62	4453.38
Leaving balance in hand this date			$178.24

San Francisco
March 1st 1871

Resp'y Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

All the above Quaterly Reports accepted and ordered placed on file.

On motion the Trustees were detailed by pairs to attend the Lectures of the Mechanic's Arts College, and required to provide substitute of the sum of $2 in case of his absence, on drawing for choice of turns the following was the result. 1st Hoffe & Brunner 2d Steger & Kerr, 3rd Spaulding & Moffit 4th Chapman & Hanecom 5th Kibbe & Williams, 6th Ewing & Davis. The Recording Secretary

was ordered to notify the respective Trustees of their turn the preceding Friday.

Transfer of Twelve hundred Dollars $1200 by the Treasurer from Pavilion fund to Fund of the Mechanics' Institute approved.

On motion the election to fill vacancy in the Board was laid over until next meeting.

On motion adjourned.

H. H. Williams
Recording Secretary.

Regular Meting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute.
March 7th 1871

Meting called to order President Hallide in the chair
Absent.
Mesrs Kibbe, Steiger, Erving and Moffit.
Minutes of metings of February 7th and 21st read and approved as read.

Committee of Ways, Means and accounts reported the following bills correct, which were ordered paid.

Miller and Haley for circular blind	$25.00	
J.C. Hurlburt, Salary	175.00	
C.P. Coleman "	100.00	
H. Steiglitz "	70.00	$370.00
To be paid out of Pavilion funds:-		
Wm Westgate Salary	$75.00	

Mr Irving M. Scott having received nine (9) votes was declared a member of the Board of Trustees, subject to the approval of the members of the Institute.

On Motion, the Insurance Policies on Library and Building were ordered renewed.

On Motion adjourned.

W.H. Williams
Recording Secretary

Regular Quarterly (adjourned) Meting
of the Institute
Rooms of the Institute
March 7th 1871.

Meting called to order President Hallide presiding.
Present A Quorum.
Minutes of preceding Quarterly meting read and approved as read.
The President read his regular quarterly report which was accepted and ordered placed on file & Spread on minutes.

President's Report.

To the Members of the
Mechanics' Institute.
Gentlemen.
Herewith I beg to submit my report for the quarter ending February 28th 1871.

The condition of the Institute, since my last report, is still progressive and we have reasons to congratulate ourselves that in spite of the general depression and stagnation of affairs in the city, your society still moves onward, slow 'tis true, but still forward in the direction of success.

Your Trustees bearing in mind the object of this Society, direct their efforts to placing it on a permanent basis, so that when the proper time comes, they will be able to make a solid and permanent move in the cause of industry and education. They are fully alive to its needs and have their minds intent on what the Mechanics' Institute should be, hoping as their means increase to increase its usefulness in at least as great a degree.

During the last quarter the purchase of Books have been limited by the funds at command, but it is hoped that during the next six months large accessions will be made to the Technical portion of your Library. It is absolutely essential that your Library be kept up to the times in the varied literature of the day and adapted to the wants of the Institute.

One gratifying feature of the past quarter, is the payment of $3000. on account of the mortgaged indebtedness of the Society reducing it to $37,000. at 10% per annum.

From the reports of the various Standing Committees, I condense the following statements in connection with the matter under their care.

The Committee on Library and Rooms and Building report that the Building having been repainted outside and repaired in some details inside, is in good condition, and will not require

further expenditures on it for some little time to come. The Rent amounts to $625. per month.

It is probable that the Library Room carpet will have to be cleaned and the books taken down and dusted, for this purpose the Library will be closed 3 or 4 days during this month.

The Committee on Books and Donations report that 264 books have been purchased during the last quarter, classified as follows:- Fiction 153, Games 7, Wit and Humor 2, Novels 11, Poetry 9, Essays & Philosophy 12, Biography 8, Law 1, History 12, Science and Arts 30, Theology 6, Bound Periodicals 1,

Many valuable donations of Government documents have been made by our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

A catalogue of the Reference Library is being arranged, and the books in this Library will be numbered in a proper manner to facilitate reference to them.

From the Committee of Lectures and Classes I extract the following-

The lectures which were commenced in the preceding quarter by the Mechanic Arts College of the University of California mentioned in our last quarterly report, are still in progress and students and visitors show no lack of interest in them.

Many vacancies have occured in the Roll by non-fulfilment of the Rules and these have been immediately filled by others whose names are enrolled for that purpose. A course of Lectures have been given by Professors Joseph and John La Conte followed by Prof. Ezra S. Carr who has delivered so far two lectures of a course of seven on Chemistry and its applications.

The Board of Regents and the Professors of the University deserve great credit for their endeavors in establishing the Mechanic Arts College in our city and the result shows that they will not be disappointed in its practical benefits to those who attend. Many of the students, we are glad to learn, have adopted the commendable habit of taking notes upon the subject treated upon for future study and examination, and we have no doubt that at the close of the Course, more than one will be able to pass the necessary examination to enable him or her to receive a University Artificate

All honor to the first effort of our Youthful University to give popular education, an impetus here in our city, and to the Mechanics' Institute which has so liberally and warmly seconded these efforts of the Board of Regents, May the two hereafter go hand in hand, and work in unison to promote the cause of popular education and the advancement of Science, The industries and the Mechanic Arts.

The recent calamity, the burning of the Lincoln School Building, having temporarily disarranged the schools held in it, permission has been granted through the Board of Education, to the Master of the Evening Drawing Classes to use an unoccupied room in the Basement of our Building, for the purpose of continuing that branch of education, they simply paying the Gas bills-

The Committee of Ways, Means and Accounts, recommend economy to the Trustees, from the fact that our revenue barely meets our expenses. They report having audited bills to the amount of $2480 49/100.

From the Report of the Librarian I find that during the last quarter 97 Members joined the Institute

The Librarian is engaged during the time otherwise unoccupied in carefully compiling a list of books to be ordered for the Reference Library, as soon as our finances will permit us to purchase.

The Treasurer reports as follows:-

Institute Fund.

Receipts for December 1870		$1129.50	
" " January 1871		962.15	
" " Febuary "		2239.97	$4331.62
Disbursements for December 1870		$1367.16	
" " January 1871		1830.71	
" " Febuary "		713.89	
Due Treasurer Dec 1 1870	341.62		$4453.38
Balance on hand in Institute Fund			178.24

Three thousand dollars ($3000.) paid on account of Mortgage was applied directly from the Dividend Fund for that purpose.

Sinking Fund.

Receipts Dec. 1870		$1142.95	
" Janu 1871		96.21	
" Feby "		223.89	
Bal Dec 1. 1870	883.01		$1346.16
Disbursements Dec 1870		370.54	
Balance in hands of Treasurer March 1. 1870		975.62	

Pavilion Fund

Receipts	Dec. 1870	$3000.00		
"	Feby 1871	300.00		
Balance	Dec 1 1870	1137.72	$4437.72	
Disbursements	Dec. 1870	$194.60		
"	Jany 1871	3117.00		
"	Feby "	1386.00	4697.60	
Balance in hand in Treasurer		March 1. 1871		40.12

Eighth Industrial Fair Fund

Disbursements	Jany 1871	$134.10	
"	Feby "	395.55	
Due Treasurer	March 1. 1871	529.65	

Recapitulation

Balance to credit	Institute Fund	$178.24
" " "	Sinking "	975.12
" " "	Pavilion "	40.12 = 1193.98
Balance to debit 8th Ind. Fair Fund		529.65
Amount in Treasurers hand this date		664.33

Treasurer's Report March 1. 1871

Receipts				
Institute,	Dec. 1870	$1129.30		
	Jany 1871	962.15		
	Feby "	2239.97	4331.42	
Sinking Fund	Dec 1870	142.95		
	Jany 1871	96.21		
	Feby "	223.95	1344.16	
Pavilion Fund	Dec 1870	3000.00		
	Feby 1871	300.00		
Balance	Nov 30 1870	1137.72	4737.72	
		Total.	10715.50	
Disbursements				
Institute	Dec 1870	$1567.16		
	Jany 1871	1830.71		
	Feby "	713.89		
Due Treasurer	Dec 1870	341.62	4453.38	
Sinking Fund	Dec 1870	370.54	370.54	
		Carried fd	4823.92	

		Brot fd		$4823.92
Pavilion Fund	Dec 1870	$194.60		
	Jany 1871	3117.00		
	Feby "	1386.00	4697.60	
Eighth Ind. Fair	Jany 1871	134.10		
	Feby "	395.55	529.65	
Balance in hand of Treasurer Feby 28. 1871			664.33	10051.17

Average the present expences and revenue of the Institute from its own immediate resources I find as follows

Expenses per quarter	3441.00
Revenue " "	3301.75
Showing a deficiency per quarter	139.25

Painting and repairing the last quarter have cost the large sum of near six hundred dollars, and the purchase of Books bought previously, but paid for this quarter amounted to $873.00 It is satisfactory to know however that our interest account is less by $25 per month, than heretofore, and it is hoped that the day is not far distant when it will be intirely extinguished.

Our membership is also increasing and while we loose three or four every month from removal and other causes, we gain on an average during the same time 30 new members.

The Trustees are now devoting their energies to the necessary preparations for the Eighth Industrial Exhibition and which is to open Tuesday 8th of August next.

More than usual efforts are being made to make the forthcoming Exhibition eclipse all preceding ones, and as this will probably be the last fair for some years, we must use strenuous efforts to make it a success in every particular, With your hearty co-operation this can be done.

I have stated in former reports that the present Exhibition building will have to be removed immediately after the forthcoming fair, and from the great cost of such building, it will require much energy and considerable amount of caution to enable your society to embark in another such enterprise with an equal degree of success.

I do not think the importance of these Industrial Fairs, to a new country like California full of vigor and industry can be over estimated

We are situated on a border of a new continent undeveloped in its resources, which we know are vast and inexhaustible

We are in close proximity to two or three densely populated countries, peopled by races, whose traditional exclusiveness has kept them until recently in entire ignorance of the advance of science, of art and of the manufactures, and whose unfolding necessities must create a demand for that latent we can supply unless we in our blind mistake, Kill the goose which lays the golden egg, a mistake I believe brought about more from the fear of an overwhelming exodus of the people itself than from anything else. And which fear would be displaced if we could only bear in mind, that when a people have to cross a vast ocean like the Pacific, such an invasion is practically impossible and beyond the records of History.

The Board of Managers hope to see represented at the next fair, samples of industry of all the peoples bordering on the Pacific Ocean, they hope to see the Manufacturers, the Mechanics and the Artisans of California show these peoples, what we have here, what we are getting and what we expect to have here, to show them what we can do, that here in San Francisco we can turn out as good and as cheap machinery as any other part of the world. that we can furnish them paper to write on or to print on, powder to mine with or fight with, Steamboats or Sailing vessels, boots and shoes, Blankets, glass machinery of all Kinds, and everything they need. We can furnish at lowest prices and honestly made

We want to manufacture here, so that we can employ single men and married men, single women and if need be married women and that our manufactures can support families decently and make idleness a shame and a disgrace. San Francisco can never be herself until she does this, these people who have 25.000.000 dollars in the Savings Banks, loaning the dollars out at an usurous rate of interest must learn, that, while it is prudent and saving, an excess of this is damaging to ultimate prosperity and to enterprise. One half of this 25 millions put into legitimate manufacturing in the City of San Francisco would about double her working capital, and to this end these Industrial Exhibitions tend encouraging enterprise, nurturing industry and demonstrating the capacity and capabilities of a people

The Managers have mailed circulars to the adjoining states, territories and the countries adjacent and across the Pacific Ocean, announcing the time of holding the Fair and inviting the people to send exhibits and come themselves and see what we can show them

Of the 2000 circulars distributed many words of encouragement have been received. Applications for space to exhibit, Inquiries as to the way to come here, the costs of the trip etc, from individuals, and notices from the press at large

show that the Knowledge of the intended exhibition is general and extended.

The Managers have appointed Mr. J.H. Gilmore as Canvasser and agent for this city, and everywhere his efforts have met with success and encouragement

He will visit everyone in this city who is likely to exhibit and if he should omit anyone, a notice sent to the Library will bring him at once to the applicant.

Books have been opened to receive application for space, in the Library, and some one will be in daily attendance from 12 M to 9 P.M.

Mr Horace D. Dunn who was for some years Corresponding Secretary and has been intimately connected with your fairs, has gone to Japan in the service of the Managers, with the view of inducing a thorough representation from that Empire, and to obtain the appointment of a Commission from the Japanese Government, to report on the forthcoming exhibition, and the facilities of San Francisco to manufacturing Machinery and other articles required by that country.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company have liberally offered to carry the articles to be exhibited from Japan and China free of charge, and it is to be hoped that not only will Japan and China lend liberally to the fair, but that the Resident Japanese and Chinese Merchants will cordially lend a helping hand, the Managers guaranteeing to them, the consideration and the same care of articles exhibited as to other exhibitors.

The exhibition building will be enlarged sufficiently to accomodate all the exhibits, it is now in excellent order, the shafting, boilers, etc, being in perfect condition and ready to be set to work and it is to be hoped that all will join with Your society in the efforts

The last Legislature appropiated $7500 per year for two years to be expended in premiums by your society.

The Managers have offered Cash premiums to the amount of $3350. for special reports and exhibits as per list, to be found on the table and at the Librarian's desk, and it is believed that the information and light we will obtain in the subjects to be discussed will be of many times that value to the people of California

Mr Irving M. Scott was elected as Trustee to fill vacancy caused by the withdrawal of Mr. Jno. Rock

A. S. Hallidie
President

Election of Mr Irving M. Scott by the Board of Trustees ratified.

The following Amendment to the Constitution of the Institute was addopted -

That the following section be added to Article VIII -

Sect. 7. For distinguished services, the Board of Trustees may recommend to the Quarterly Meeting of the Members of the Mechanics Institute, the names of persons for election to Honorary Membership of the Institute, but in no case shall the number elected as Honorary Members exceed Ten (10) in one year. Such Honorary Members shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership except to vote or hold office.

On Motion adjourned

W. H. Williams
Rec'g Secty

Regular Meeting (adjourned) Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
March 4th 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent
Kibbe, Steeger.

Committee Ways, Means and accounts reported the following bills correct and which were ordered paid -

Dewey & Co.	Scientific Press	$11.00	
Plum, Bell & Co.	2 dusters	2.50	
A. Roman & Co	Books	6.40	
Librarian's Petty	Cash	11.70	
"	"	1.37	
"	"	13.50	
"	"	4.05	
"	"	11.15	
"	"	9.83	
J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing &c.	8.25	
E. Borgni	Binding	5.00	
Chilion Beach	Books & Pins	2.31	
H. H. Moore	Books	23.25	
W. E. Loomis	Newspapers & Per-	138.50	
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	29.85	
"	"	32.80	
A. Roman & Co	"	28.59	
Olmstead & Cone	"	14.32	
"	"	27.92	
F. Seregni	Engrossing	2.30	$367.69

Out of Parlor Fund
F. Seregni Engrossing $3.00

Librarian's Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanic's Institute.

Gentlemen

I have the honor to report for the Month of February as follows:

Recieved for Initiation Fee	31.00	
Dues collected	170.00	
Books sold Santa Barbara Lo.	29 40	
Rent from Jno. F. Bross	60.00	
" " Jno. O'Hannel	60.00	
" " Pacific Bus College	250.00	$600.40

Brot forid		$600.40	
Received Rent from F. Dizey		95.00	
" " H Blythe	150.00		
less gas bill	10.00	140.00	
" W. Hammond		50.00	
" basement room Wright E.O. Bell		5.00	890.40
Balance in Hand Feby 1st		$462.90	
Dues &c collected in Feby		230.40	
Rents " " "		660.00	1353.30
Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer		$1039.99	
Petty Cash bills not audited		202.70	
do for Feby		18.83	
Balance in safe March 1st		91.80	1353.30

Mr Dizey still owes twenty seven 50/100 dollars for the past month besides the rent for the current one. Mr De Laguna paid One hundred dollars on the 1st inst on ⅔ of rent of the Pacific Business College. The amount received from the Santa Barbara Library ($29.40) was for 84 volumes books, of each of which two and in some cases three copies remain on the shelves of the Library.

Thirty one (31) new members have joined the Institute during the month, their names are:

F. J. Brown	Wesley Hicks	John Hastings
Edward Cohn	Sarah E. Morton	Joseph S. Littlefield
Chas. Thieren	John Ross	W. F. Bingham
Chas. D. Roberts	Mrs. Mary Smith	James Pearl
Miss H. C. Folger	Miss Emma Smith	Frank Whelan
Thos. A. Graham	W. H. North	Nahum Poland
D. A. Bordwell	T. Duvalt	H. H. Sheldon
Andrew Wilkie	Andrew J. McMahon	Horace Stevens
Edwin Dodgen	Philip Shved	Eugene Flanders
Nathaniel Hunter	Richard Tabor	D. McIntyre

Miss Carrie Bowen.

Messrs Alfred Mayns and Edw. H. Eastman have withdrawn from the Institute.

Eighty three (83) new volumes have been added to the Library by purchase viz:—

Fiction 46. Wit & Humor 1. Theology 4. Travel 2. Essays 2 Laws 1. Biography 2. History 3. Games 6. Art & Science 13 Poetry 3.

The following donations have been received

from Hon. C. Cole
Congressional Globe, 2d Session 41st Congress 7 vols.
from A. G. Abell Grand Secretary I. L. F. & A. Masons
Proceedings of Grand Lodge of California Vols 5, 6, 7 & 8
from Comm. McLain Department of Agriculture
Report of Department of Agriculture 1869 2 copies
from Mr J. M. Fisher Member of Institute
Sidney Herald 11 copies
Southern Cross 2 "
Auckland Herald 1 "

All of which is respectfully submitted

G. C. Hurlburt.

San Francisco
March 2d 1871.

Names for membership approved and report referred to Committee of Ways, Means and accounts.

Treasurer's Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for February 1871.

Receipts.

Amt received in a/c of Rents		$660.	
" " " " "	Collections	350.57	
" " " " "	Sale of Books	29.46	
" transferred from Pavilion Fund		1200.	2239.93

Disbursements

Amt paid

G. C. Hurlburt	Petty Cash	$67.42	
do	Salary for Jany	150.	
G. P. Coleman	do	100.	
H. Steiglitz	"	70.	
Miller & Hales	Repairs	25	
Olmstead & Cone	Books	33.39	
W. W. Payer	Sub. to Bulletin	26.25	
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	13.93	
F. Serigni	Engraving	3.25	
Spaulding & Barto	omitted in Voucher Jany 122	30	

Olmstead & Cone omitted in Jany voucher 120. 1b
Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts 223.99
Bal. due Treasurer as per Report for Jany 1341 78 H. 2061.73
leaving bal. in hand of Treasurer this date 178.24

San Francisco
March 1st 1871

Respty Submitted
Henry L. Davis Treas.

Report referred to Committee on Ways, Means and accounts.
On Motion adjourned

W. H. Williams
Recg Secty

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
March 9th 1871

Meeting called to order President Halliday in the Chair
Absent:
Kew, Kibbe, Hanscom and Scott.
Minutes of preceding and Special and Regular meetings read and approved as read.
Communication read from Mr J. C. Hurlbut advising purchase a set of the "Philosophical Transactions" advertised for sale in the Annual Catalogue of Mr Quaritch England.
On motion the President was authorized to telegraph to Mr Quaritch to purchase the said books for the benefit of the Institute at the Catalogue price £180.
On motion adjourned.

W. H. Williams
Recdg Secty.

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
April 4th 1871

Meeting called to order Vice President Steiger in the Chair.

Absent.

Mess's Hallidie, Moffitt, Kerr, Spaulding, Brunner, Chapman and Scott.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved, with the ammendment, in regard to authority given President Hallidie relating to the Purchase of "Philosophical Transactions", to read "to write" instead of "to telegraph".

On motion the Committee appointed by the Board of Managers of the Eighth Industrial Exhibitions, to ascertain what Site may be procured for the use of future fair buildings, were appointed to act in the same capacity for the Board of Trustees, Viz, Hancom, Davis and Chapman.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct, and which were ordered paid:

J. C. Hurlbut	Salary for March	$175.00	
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00	
H. Steiglitz	" " "	70.00	
W. W. Pasco	Sub. to Evening Bulletin	22.50	$367.50

To be paid out of Pavilion Fund:

Wm Westgate	Salary for March	75.00	

Treasurer's Report

To the Presidents and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute
Gentlemen

I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for March 1871

Receipts

Amt rec'd on a/c of Rent	$1170.00	
" " " " Collections	949.60	
Balance in Treasury March 1	178.24	$1597.84

Disbursements

Amt paid			
J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing, Shades &c	$34.10	
Hoffis & Son	Numbers & Letters	10.00	
Eldridge & Middleton	Coal	33.00	
Haste & Kyle	"	30.00	
Brewster & James	Plate Glass	50.00	
A. N. Corbett	Repairs	11.50	
J. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Feby	175.00	
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00	
H. Steenlitz	" " "	70.00	
F. Bergini	Engrossing	3.00	
Nichols & Lubbock	Painting	132.50	
J. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash	51.60	
A. Roman & Co	Books	34.90	
A. L. Bancroft & Co	"	52.65	
E. Bergini & Co	Printing	5.00	
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing	8.25	
H. H. Moore	Books	23.25	
Olmstead & Cone	"	112.11	
Dewey & Co.	1 vol Scientific Press.	4.00	
Plum, Bell & Co,	2 Dusters	2.50	
H. E. Loomis	Newspapers	138.50	
C. Beach	Stationery	2.31	
F. Bergini	Engrossing	2.50	
Water Co,	Water for Jany and Feby	36.00	
S. F. Bulletin	Advertising	2.50	
Gas Co.	Gas for Dec. and Jany	243.50	
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	141.96	$1140.66

Leaving balance in Treasury this date $457.18

San Francisco
April 1st 1871

Respectfully submitted
Helen L. Davis
Treasurer

Report received and referred to Committee on Ways, Means and accounts.

Librarians Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute
Gentlemen:

I beg leave to report for the Month of March as follows:

Amount rec'd for Initiation Fees	$31.00	
" " " Dues	922.50	
" " from J. F. Snow for Rent	60.00	
" " " J. O'Donnell do.	60.00	
" " " Pacific Bus. Col. "	250.00	
" " " A. Blythe on a/c "	50.00	
" " " N. Hammond "	50.00	$1123.50
Balance on hand March 1st	$313.33	
Dues and Fees collected	953.50	
Rents "	470.00	$1736.83
Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer	$1119.60	
" Petty Cash Bills not audited	169.93	
" " " for March	50.75	
Cash in safe April 1st	96.55	$1736.83

Mr. Laguna paid the hundred dollars remaining due to 1st April, on that day Capt. Blythe still owes One hundred dollars for the month of March, and Mr Dixey having this day paid Thirty dollars on account of rent, owes One hundred and ten 50/100 Dollars for the two months ending April 25th.

Thirty one (31) new members joined the Institute in March, their names are:

W. H. Stout	Geo. W. Harmon	D. S. Taylor
R. J. Graham	Mrs. O. Fuller	J. M. O'Neill
Joseph Gauber	Jno. C. Wright	H. Polley
Thos. Corbett	Chas. O'Connor	N. B. Adams
J. H. Nevlin	S. P. Deane	C. R. Morell
E. R. Shane	Dr. R. Murray	Jno. Calston
Alex Weil	A. J. Fitzpatrick	Herman Clausenius
Frederick Clay	A. Warschauer	James Hennessey
Parker Kirkeley	Mrs J. T. Gately	Kattie Matthews
Mrs L. G. Potter	J. M. Matthews	N. Alexander
J. R. Brandon.		

The following have withdrawn from the Institute:

Chas. H. Stone	M. C. Dibb	J. A. Lynch	J. S. Manning	J. P. Lyons
P. L. Moore	S. L. Crane	B. Castle	W. F. Gregory	D. N. Hodgkins
Geo. Kuchler	Paul Loher	E. Robinson	Chas. Wilson	C. P. Sheffield

in all 15.

There have been added to the Library by purchase One hundred and three (103) volumes, classified as follows:

Fiction 47 Wit + Humor 3 Travels 7 Essays 3, Law 1
Biography 10 History 10 Philology 1 Science + Art 16
Poetry 5

Donations have been received as follows:

From Agapius Honcharenko.
Vols. 2 + 3 Alaska Herald, unbound
Russo American Primer

From Hon. E. Cassidy
Reports of Commissioners to Paris Exhibition 6 vols.
Mining Statistics West of Rocky Mountains

From Hon. S. B. Axtell
Patent Office Reports 1868 4 vols.
Department of Agriculture Report 1869
Message and Document - Abridgment - 1869-70
Mining Statistics, West of Rocky Mountains
Report on Total Solar Eclipse Aug. 7th 1869

From George Kuchler
Combe's Moral Philosophy
" Constitution of Man

From California Prison Commission
Fifth Annual Report 1869-70

From D. Hicks + Co
Catalogue California State Library 2 vols

From Hon. Cornelius Cole
Patent Office Report 1868 4 vols.

From J. M. Fisher
Sidney Mail, Jany 7, 14, 28.
Morning Herald Jany 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 16, 21, 23.

From California State Agricultural Society
Transactions for 1868-69
Report State Board of Agriculture for 1870

I would suggest for consideration the propriety of closing the Library for cleaning and repairs as early as possible. There is much to be done in the dusting of books and cases, carpets and furniture, and the whitening of walls. If closed on Monday next the work might be accomplished, and the Library reopened on the following Saturday. All of which is respectfully submitted

San Francisco Apl 1 1870 C. C. Hurlburt Librarian

Librarian's Repot received, names of new members approved and the financial portion of repot, refered to the Committee on Ways' Means and Accounts. Corresponding Secretary to return thanks of the Board for the different donations received.

On motion, the matter of cleaning the Library Rooms, for cleaning and repairs was referred to the Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, with power to act.

On motion Mess^rs Hancom and Scott were appointed as a Committee of two, to make necessary arraugements to meet N. H. Nutt and invite him to met the Members of the Institute.

On motion adjourned.

H. H. Stilliams
Recg Secty.

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
April 18th 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the chair
Absent
Mess^rs Kibbe, Brunner and Emig-

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved as read

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported the completion of cleaning Library Rooms.

Committe on Ways, Means and accounts reported, Librarian's Report for Month of February correct, with exception of item of books sold to Santa Barbara Library, Treasurer's Report for Months of February and March correct, Also the following bills which were ordered paid, Viz:-

D. Hicks & Co	Binding	$51.00
A. Roman & Co	Books	3.93
Do	"	52.74
"	"	17.25
Dewey & Co,	Scientific Press	4.00
S. F. Gas Co,	Gas to ~~Apr~~ Mch 1	116.00
Eldridge & Middleton,	Coal	34.00
S. F. Water Co,	Water to Apr 1	18.00
Librarian's Petty Cash,	Books	5.50
Do	"	11.00
"	"	10.35
"	"	34.25
"	"	9.00
D. A. McDonald & Co,	Black Boards	7.00
Morning Call	Advertising	9.00
Carrier Alta Cala.	Alta to Apr 1	11.70
Ghyas & Dutton	Stationery & Printing	8.25
E. H. Key & Co	Books	24.00
Olmstead & Cone	"	2.43
A. L. Bancroft & Co	"	17.54
Do	"	26.87
"	"	27.93
Olmstead & Cone	"	16.02
Do	"	14.54
"	"	15.82 $548.02

Authority given by Committee on Books and Donations to Librarian, to sell certain surplus books to Santa Barbara Library Association-

Special Committee appointed to make necessary arrangements to meet Mr H. H. Webb Esq, reported having received note from Mr Webb accepting the Invitation tendered by the Institute evening Saturday Evening Apr 22, also having selected Corinthian Hall as the room for reception, Report accepted – and the Committee to decorate the Hall for the occasion

On motion adjourned

H. H. Williams
Rec'g Secty

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 2d 1871

Meeting called to order President Halliday in the Chair

Absent

Mess. Steigir, Chapman, Hanscom, Ennig and Scott.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved as read

The Board resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to take action on all Bills before the meeting, The following bills were approved and ordered paid, Viz:–

J. C. Hurlburt	Salary for April	$175.00
J. P. Coleman	Do	100.00
H. Steiglitz	"	70.00
Librarian's Petty Cash	Sundries	5.00
Do	Do	21.14
"	"	35.32
Daily Morning Call	Advertising	1.50
S. F. Chronicle	Do	2.25
A. Roman & Co	Books	3.00
J. H. Crane & Co	Printing	1.00
Wm Meyer & Co	Decorations	8.00
Merchants Ex. Assn	Freight	10.00
		$137.21

To be paid out of Pavilion Fund, Wm Westgate Salary for April $75.00

Balance of Bills before the Committee referred to the proper Committees.

Communication from A. Roman & Co, received and read, setting forth propositions for furnishing Books to the Institute, Referred to Committee on Books and Donations with power.

Gas Bill for Month of April referred to Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, with the view of Soliciting a reduction in the Charges from the Gas Company.

Treasurer's Report

To the President and Board of
Trustees of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen,

Herewith I present you the Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of April 1871

Receipts.

Amt rec'd on account of Rent	$693.00	
" " " " Collections	267.00	
Balance in Treasury as per Report for March	157.18	$1117.18

Disbursements

Amt p'd				
G. C. Hurlburt	Salary for March		$175.00	
G. P. Coleman	Do		100.00	
H. Steiglitz	"		70.00	
Olmstead & Owen	Books		82.20	
D. Hicks & Co	Binding		51.00	
Gluyas & Dutton	Stationery		8.25	
Eldridge & Middleton	Coal		31.00	
W. W. Payzer,	Subscription to Bulletin		22.50	
A. Roman & Co	Books		73.92	
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Do.		72.31	
H. H. Key & Co	"		21.00	
Cosmos Alta California,	Sub. to Alta		11.70	
S. F. Gas Co,	Gas for Feby		116.00	
G. C. Hurlburt	Petty Cash		70.00	
Queen & Co	1 Vol Scientific Press		4.00	
Sinking Fund	10 % of Receipts	96.00	1010.91	
Leaving balance in Treasury this date			$106.27	

San Francisco May 1. 1871

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report received and referred to Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

Librarian's Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute,

Gentlemen.

I beg leave to report for the Month of April, as follows:

Amount received for Initiation Fees	$14.00	
" " " Life Membership	30.00	
" " " Dues collected	178.90	
" " " Rent J. F. Snow	60.00	$302.90

Amount forward		302.90
" for Rent J. O'Donnell		60.00
" " Pacific Business College		275.00
" " Hall, Blind Girls' Concert		12.00
" " F. Dissy		66.00
" " A. Blythe		170.00
" " W. Hammond	50.00	$935.90
Balance on hand April 1st		$317.23
Dues & Fees collected		242.90
Rent collected	693.00	1253.13
Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer		960.00
Petty Cash Bills not audited		92.55
Do do for April		93.89
Balance in safe May 1st	106.69	1253.13

Mr. Dissy yesterday paid Twenty five dollars, and now owes, for rent to the 25th May. One hundred and ninety five dollars. Capt. Blythe paid Twenty five dollars on the first of May, and has still to pay Forty five dollars for rent for the past month.

Mr Henry Owens has become a Life Member of the Institute

Fourteen (14) new members have been initiated, viz:—

Henry Hassan, F. T. Meagher, G. N. Moore, W. Preston,
J. B. Taylor, W. Eppenheimer, Jno. Harper, Jared Dedge,
Wm. F. Wznay, E. W. Hitchings, C. F. Kraus, Geo. Mentzel
Andrew Erlandsen, Mrs J. C. Hall,

There have been added to the Library by purchase, One hundred and twenty two (122) volumes, classified as follows, viz:— Fiction 53, Theology 6, Travels 2, Philosophy & Essays 23, of which 18 are in French, Political Economy 4, Biography 10, of which 8 are in French, History 11, Philology 1, Science & Art 12, Poetry & the Drama 7 of which 5 in French.

Donations have been received from

Henry Mitchell Esq. Boston
Board of Harbor Commissioner's Report Boston
Hon. Cornelius Cole
Report of U. S. Coast Survey for 1867
J. M. Fisher Esq.
Sidney Evening News, Feby 23 & 28
" Morning Herald, Feby 28, Mch 1
Littleton's Times Mch 2.
Press, Christ & Church Feby 27, 28, Mch 1
Melbourne Argus Jany 30
New Zealand Herald Auckland, Mch 6.

from Mr. La Rue, Oakland
Pamphlet concerning Terminus of Rail Road System on Pacific Coast
from American Institute by J.H. Culver
Tranactions of Institute for 1869-70

Mr. A.B Bowers, a member of the Institute, requests permission to withdraw a number of volumes, perhaps twenty or from the Reference Library, long enough to have certain plates photographed.
All of which is respectfully submitted
San Francisco G. C. Hurlburt
May 2d 1871 Librarian

Librarian's Report received, names of new members approved. Financial portion referred to Committee on Ways, Means & accounts, and Corresponding Secretary requested to return thanks of the Board for Donations received.

Request of Mr Bowers to withdraw certain books from the Reference Library, referred to Committee on Books and Donations, to report at the next meeting.

Resolved, that the names of S. B. Axtell & N. H. Mitchell be proposed for Honorary Membership at the next meeting of the Members of the Institute.

On motion adjourned.

H. H. Williams
Recdg Secty.

Special Meeting of the Institute
Rooms of the Institute
May 15th 1871

Pursuant to a call issued by the President, a meeting of the Members of the Institute was held for the purpose of appointing a Committee to nominate seven (7) Trustees to serve for the ensuing term.

President Halliday in the chair, present a Quorum.

The Secretary being absent Mr. J. L. Fields was elected Secretary Pro-Tem.

On proceeding to election for the Nominating Committee, the following Gentlemen were elected to act in that capacity viz- Messrs. D. R. Smith, D. E. Hayes, Joshua Gray, Jacob Browning, A. Doble, David Farquharson and J. N. Kidder.

The Committee were requested to report on the evening of May 25th.

On Motion adjourned.

J. L. Fields
Secty Pro. Tem

Regular Meting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 16th 1871

Meting called to order President Hallidie in the chair.

Absent Mspre. Davis, Kew, Kibbe, and Scott.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved with the following Amendment, that instead of, "The Board resolved itself into a Committee of the whole and passed &c" read "The Board passed &c"

The following Gentlemen were elected as a committee to install such new Trustees as may be elected June 5th Viz:- Mspre Benj. H. Freeman, Jos. Britton and Wm. P. Rankin.

Mspre, A. C. Corbett, N. Greenhagen and D. A. Macdonald were elected to act as Judges of Election, at the election of Trustees June 5th

Secretary requested to notify the above named persons of their appointment by the Board—

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills and which were ordered paid,

Chas. J. Ladd	Upholstering	$7.00
J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing	7.75
E. M. Quinn	Hardware	4.00
Plum, Bell & Co.	Upholstering	26.50
A. Roman & Co	Books	25.44
Do	"	37.22
A. L. Bancroft & Co	"	38.44
Olmstead & Co	"	17.89
Saml. Kellett	Whitening	17.00
S. V. Water Works	Water to May 1	36.00
F. McCrellish & Co	Advertising	1.50
Mahon, Rapp, Thomas & Co	Printing	4.00
S. F. Bulletin Co	Advertising	1.50
	Total	224.24

Communication from A. Roman & Co, received read and refered to Committee on Books and Donations

Communication from Merchantile Library Association, received read and ordered placed on file.

X Resolution offered: Resolved, That the Directors of the Merchantile Library, have the free use of the Library and Reading Rooms of the Mechanics' Institute; ordered laid on the Table.

On Motion adjourned

Special Meting Mechanics' Institute
Rooms of the Institute
May 25th 1871

Meting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair—

Present, A Quorum,

The Nominating Committee's report was recommitted and the Committee allowed until Saturday May 27th to report.

On Motion The President was requested to call a special meting of the Board of Trustees to pass their opinion on the eligibility of Jas. C. Patrick to hold the office of Trustee if elected—

On Motion adjourned

Wm. H. Williams
Rec. Sec.

Special Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 26th 1871

Meeting called to order Vice-President Steiger in the Chair

Absent Messrs Hallidie, Hoppe and Scott.

Assistant Librarian reported the name of Jas. C. Patrick for Life Member, report received and name approved—

Moved, That the opinion of this Board is—That Jas. C. Patrick is not eligible to election as a Trustee Steiger, 3 year—

On motion adjourned

M. H. Williams
Rec. Sec.

Special Meeting Mechanics' Institute
May 27th 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the chair

Quorum present

The following report was received from the Nominating Committee and was accepted—

To the Members of
the Mechanics' Institute

At a special meeting held Monday 15th inst, we the undersigned were appointed a Committee to nominate Candidate for Trustee to serve for the ensuing term. Having devoted due time and attention to the subject we have unanimously agreed upon and selected the following gentlemen to wit;

B. P. Brunner	Gas Engineer
M. H. Williams	Architect
Jos. R. Stilcox	Builder
Jas. Patrick	Hardware Merchant
Jacob Martenstein	Miller
Thomas Nelson	Blacksmith
H. H. Jones	Printer

as being well qualified for the position and in every way worthy of the honor of an election by your votes and we full quite sure that each and every one of them if elected will do all in his power to further the best interest of the Society

San Francisco
May 22d 1871

David Farquharson
J. A. Risdon
J. Browning
Elmer Doyle
Joshua Gray
David R. Smith
David E. Hayes

San Francisco May 27th 1871

The name of James Patrick having been withdrawn Your Committee have nominated

Chas. P. Basset Merchant

in his stead.

The name of Mr Patrick is withdrawn solely with a view to avoid any mis-understanding or discussion as to his eligibility and not because you

Committee think him in ligible.

David Farquharson
Daniel E. Hayes
Abner Doble
Joshua Gray
J. Browning
David R. Smith
John A. Risdon

On motion adjourned

Daniel E. Hays
Sec. Pro Tem

Special Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 31st 1871

Meeting called to order President Halliday in the Chair.

Absent Messrs. Kibbe, Sturgis and Scott.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved as read.

The following Reports from the various Committees and Officers were submitted and read. Viz:-

Committee on Library, Rooms & Building

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen

Your committee on Library Rooms and Building present the following

Early in the term the City having ordered the repaving of the Street and the laying of Asphaltum Sidewalks in the Block on which the Institute Building fronts, We took advantage of the disturbed condition of the street, to have a new Sewer laid from the Water Closets under the sidewalks; the old one being much out of repair and choked up

For the repairs to the Street and Sidewalk the Institute was assessed some $1115.69

The City having accepted the same relieves the Institute from further expense

The Bill for Gas for March $103.50
and April 88.50
or for the two months 192.00

(that for May not having been received) is at the rate of $5.00 per thousand fet. The Board thinking the rate too high, your Committee as per instruction are trying to get the same reduced

The water rate is $18.00 per months, too high for the amount used, and as per instruction have tried to collect a portion of the same from the tenants, but after further consideration deemed it advisable not to insist upon it.

With some few exceptions, the Building is in good repair and occupied by good tenants at a monthly rental of some $225.00, the receipts for the three months ending to day are (as per report of the Librarian) $1813.00, the small amount will most probably be paid in a few days.

Your Committee have received a tender of $25.00 per month for the East Basement for a term of years, if an entrance to the same be made from the street, and would recommend the matter to your earliest attention.

The repairs made to the Building have been only such as were absolutely necessary and the cleaning of the shelving and carpet of the Library Rooms has put the same in acceptable condition, until such time as the Finances will permit of a general repairing and refurnishing.

Thinking it would be to the interest of the Institute we would make the following recommendations: That the outside of rear brick walls (which are very much weather worn) be cemented, and the wood work of the same be painted.

That the Chess Room be whitened and a Chair rail be placed on two side of the walls to protect the plastering.

That a hand rail be placed on the wall side of the main stair case, which is very much needed

That the water faucet in the "Ladies Toilet" room be connected with the supply pipe, the faucet being now in connection with the tank.

That some additional shelving be placed in the Reference Room for the accomodation of books now on hand.

That two Metallic signs be placed at the sides of the main entrance to read "Mechanics' Institute", and that the plastered letters over main entrance be gilded.

The two last recommendations are made in the view of the fact, that while all know the "Business College" it is difficult (for the stranger at least) to find the Mechanics Institute

May 31st 1871

Signed

Robert Ewing
Howard Chapman
Chas. E. Hopps

Report of Library Rooms and Building received and ordered spread on the minutes.

Committee on Books & Donations.

The Committee on Books and Donations report for the year ending May 31st 1871.

Number of Books in Library June 1st 1870	15024
" added by purchase to June 1st 1871	1584
" donation " " "	396
	17004

Military Maps, one Portfolio
Campaigns Army of the Potomac
Phamphlets on Various Subjects 20

The volumes added are classified as follows:

Fiction	68	Wit and Humor	6	Law	5
Theology	19	Travels	35	Essays &c	89
Pol. Economy	16	Biography	53	History	144
Encyclopedia	1	Scitnce and Art	584	Philology	6
Poetry	35	Reports, Gov or others	258	Games	7
Miscellanious	30	Russian Works	108.		

The Russian Works, presented by the Alaska Commercial Company are classified as follows:

Medical 6, Scientific 14. Travels 3, Bound Periodicals, containing many original article on Geography and Natural History History 23, Government and Political Economy 8, Philology 2 Poetry 2

The Reading Room is supplied with the following papers

Of the Pacific Coast	101	
" the City	34	
" the Eastern States and Canada	67	
" Europe	35	
" Australia	3	240 in all

Of the 1647 members on the roll on the 1st of June 1870, 700 have paid no dues for 18 months past, and are to be looked upon as lost to the Institute, deducting these, there now 947 members, actually contributing on the 1st June 1870, There have since been added 349 regular members and the total is now therefor 1296, The average number of regular contributing members is 1015, The number of Life members is now 91, 7 having been added during the year.

Your committee find a bill amounting to £191.7.3, for art of "Engineering" and "Philosphical Transactions" which it is hoped will have your earliest attention

Respectfully submitted
Jas. Moffitt
George S Spaulding
David Kerr.

Report of Committee on Books and Donations received and ordered spread on minutes

Committee on Lectures & Classes.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

San Francisco May 31st 1871

The course of Lectures given by the University of California before the Mechanics' Art College still continue. At date of last report Prof. E. S. Carr was giving a series of Lectures on "Chemistry and its Applications". He gave six lectures and owing to indisposition, those closed his course. They were well attended and highly popular with all who heard them; followed by Prof. Kellogg with "Classics as allied to Science" in three lectures: followed by Prof. Roda in "The Study of Modern Languages" in three Lectures. Prof. Melcken is now giving a course on "Mathematics", the last lecture of his course will be upon the subject of "Small Arms"

These lectures have been well attended throughout and have been instructive as well as entertaining, and we believe, they have created an interest in scientific studies which cannot but be productive of great good. They have been free to all who choose to hear them, and on subjects not usually treated upon by popular lecturers.

The Committee have nothing to recommend in relation to either lectures or classes, but leave the matter wholly in the hands of their successors, who probably will bring into field, fresh energy to carry out to a successful issue the work we have commenced and engaged in the past year.

In closing this quaterly, we may say annual report of the committee, we do not care to point to the past as an example for any who may follow us. If they can find anything in our efforts that is commendable or worth following, let them improve on it, we know there is much room for improvement, They have a field large and fertile, and we may go in and improve it

We may remark, however that as a Committee we have had the greatest unanimity in our councils, and we part with the best of wishes for each other's welfare.

All of which is Submitted
George Spaulding
B. P. Brunner

Report of Committee on Lectures and Classes received and ordered spread on the minutes.

Committee on Ways & Means & Accounts.

San Francisco May 31st 1871

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

In submitting our Quaterly Report for the year ending May 31st 1871, we find but little to add to our last quaterly report. The various accounts appertaining to your committee to supervise have been found correct as far as carried out. A difficulty occurs, to which your committee have heretofore called attention, as to the manner of supervising accounts. Your committee is appointed to approve of bills that may properly come before the Board, and this Committee is expected to examine all bills and certify to the correctness of the same, but it is placed beyond the power of your committee when any bills are acted upon and paid without any consultation of said Committee. During the last year nearly fifteen per cent of all the monies appropiated have been passed upon without any consultation of your committee, although passed without proper examination and report by your committee, have been paid, we cannot help mentioning that it would have looked more consistent, to have passed through the proper channels.

The report of the Treasurer will show an amount of $330.12 to the credit of the Institute, which will be further reduced by a charge of Interest 2% on overdrafts.

The various accounts to which the total amounts should be sub-divided cannot be arrived at with any degree of certainty on account of the fact that all the details have not passed through your committee's hands—

Although the correctness of bills generally may be certified to by all the different committees, your especial Committee would respectfully suggest and urge, that all bills whatsoever nature should pass finally before them for settlement. Under such matters come under their control as to settlement any bills may be paid whether to the advantage of the Institute or not.

Your committee would recommend the strictest economy in regard to expenses, and that no expenses be incurred without consultation of the Finance Committee, also that each and every committee exercise the closest vigilance as to its expenditures.

As the Institute is entirely dependent upon its own energies your committee would particularly request, that each and every member of the Board should watch carefully every dollar of its expenditures and that they should suggest every possible method of adding to its financial ability. The Treasurers Monthly account gives you a detailed account of the Receipts and

Expenditures and the yearly accounts gives a summary to all of which your attention is particularly called

Respectfully

Jno. O. Hanscom, David Kerr, H. Chapman — Committee of Ways, Means & Accounts

Treasurer

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for May 1871

Receipts.

		$ 53.00	
Recvd on a/c of Rent		$ 650.00	
" " " " Collections		305.89	
Olmstead & Cone error Feby 8		33.39	
Balance in Treasury as per Report of April		106.27	1095.55

Disbursements

Amt paid	G. C. Hurlburt	Salary for April	175.00
	G. P. Coleman	" "	100.00
	H. Stieglitz	" "	70.00
	S. F. Chronicle	Advertising	2.00
	F. Macrellish & Co	do	1.00
	G. C. Hurlburt	Petty Cash	5.00
	"	"	37.32
	"	"	21.17
	Merchantile Library Assn	Freight on Books	10.00
	A. Roman & Co	Books	3.00
	S. F. Chronicle	Advertising	2.25
	Jas Meyer & Co	Decorating Hall	8.00
	Plum, Bell & Co	Upholstering	26.50
	A. Roman & Co	Books	35.44
	"	"	37.22
	Olmstead & Cone	"	18.79
	Chas. J. Ladd	Upholstering	7.00
	Slater Company	Water for Apr & May	36.00
	"	" March	18.00
	Bancroft & Co	Books	38.84
	D. A. Macdonald	12 Black Boards	7.00
	Saml. Kellett	Whitening	17.00
	Sinking Fund 10 % of Receipts		96.92

Month of May 1871

Journal

Items at Report of Institute

leaving balance on hand this date $ 330.10

San Francisco
June 1st 1871

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith submit my Annual Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements from June 1st 1870 to May 31. 1871 inclusive, for the items in detail I refer you to my monthly reports.

Receipts.

For June 1870		1128.75
" July "		815.00
" August "		820.00
" September "		1190.60
" October "		990.00
" November "		730.00
" December "		1129.50
" January 1871		962.15
" February "		2239.97
" March "		1119.60
" April "		960.00
" May "		989.28.
Bal. in Treasury as per last Ann'l Report	423.39	$ 11428.21

Disbursements

For June 1870	584.70	
" July "	1064.94	
" August "	589.26	
" September "	918.68	
" October "	1560.00	
" November "	1051.69	
" December "	1367.16	
" January 1871	1830.71	
" February "	713.89	
" March "	1140.66	
" April "	1010.91	
" May "	765 45	11098.11
leaving bal. in Treasury this date		330.10

San Francisco
May 31st 1871

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

Annual Report Sinking Fund.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith submit my Annual Report of the Receipts and Disbursements on a/c of the Sinking Fund from June 1st 1870 to May 31st 1871 inclusive.

Receipts.

For June 1870		$112.87
" July	"	811.80
" August	"	82.00
" September	"	119.06
" October	"	99.00
" November	"	73.00
" December	"	142.95
" January 1871		96.21
" February	"	223.99
" March	"	141.96
" April	"	96.
" May	"	98.92
Balance in Treasy as per Report June 1870		1249.18
Interest on average Monthly balances to date	52.00	$2701.64

Disbursements

Amt paid			
July 19. 1870	City and County	Personal Taxes	$170.00
Oct 1 "	City and County	Real Estate Taxes	796.60
Dec 31 "	Street Assessment	Tax	370.54
			1337.14

Leaving balance to credit of Sinking Fund this date $1364.50

San Francisco
May 31st 1871

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

Annual Report Building Fund.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements on acct of the Pavilion since my last report of December last.

Receipts.

Dec 15. 1870	H. T. Hanley	Rent of Pavilion S. ~~Wing~~	$3000.00	
Feby 2 1871	Rolling Skating Co	" " " S. Wing	300.00	
March 8	"	" " " "	150.00	
Apr 18	"	" " " "	150.00	
May 24	Eighth Industrial Fair,	E. Bosqui & Co Bill	15.25	
	Balance in Treasury as per last Report		1137.72	$3052.97

Disbursements

Amt paid -				
Dec 14. 1870	Wm Westgate	Salary for Nov.	75.00	
23	Blythe & Nethercote	Lumber	6.50	
31	D. C. Waller	Notary fees	20.50	
"	do	do	8.00	
"	Wm Westgate	Petty Cash	9.60	
"	do	Salary for Dec	75.00	
Jany 5. 1871	H. R. T. Smith	Labor	6.25	
6	D. A. Macdonald & Co	Lyo Pickets	10.75	
9	Union Ins. Co.	on 1/2 Note & Mortgage	3000.00	
11	M. M. Estee	bal of counsel fee	100.00	
Feby 2	Roller Skating Co.	Repairs to Roof	100.00	
9	Wm Westgate	Salary for Jany & Petty Cash	76.50	
"	Wm Summerhays	Services	5.00	
14	Blythe & Nethercote	Shingle	11.50	
28	Mechanics' Institute	Acct transferred	1200.00	
March 8	Wm Westgate	Salary for Feb.	75.00	
Apr. 8	do	" " March	75.00	
" 22	E. Bosqui & Co	Printing	15.25	
May 11	Wm Westgate	Salary for Apl	75.00	1937.85
	Leaving balance in Treasury this date			115.12

San Francisco
May 31st 1871

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

Seventh Industrial Exhibition

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen,

Herewith I present my report of the Seventh Industrial Fair Fund.

Receipts.

Balance in Treasury June 1st 1870 and the date of my last report	$846.87	846.87

Disbursements.

June 2d 1870	Wm Westgate	Salary for May	75.00	
" 4 "	F. Serguis	Filling out certificates	12.37	
" 10 "	J. K. Prior	Gas Fittings &c	646.42	
July 8 "	Wm Westgate	Salary for June, 75.00 Petty Cash 40.80	75.40	809.19
		Leaving balance in Treasury this date		37.68

San Francisco
May 31st 1871

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report received and referred to Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

Librarian

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen.

I beg leave to report for the month of May as follows:

Amount received for	Initiation Fees	$20.00	
" " "	Life-Membership	50.00	
" " "	dues collected	198 60	
" " for rent	Pacific Business College	225.00	
" " "	from H. Blythe	155.00	
" " " "	J. F. Snow	60.00	
" " " "	J. O'Donnell	60.00	
" " " "	F. Dixey	100.00	
" " " "	N. Hammond	50.00	$919.60
Balance on hand May 1st		$293 13	
Dues collected in May		268 60	
Rents " " "		650 00	$1211.73

Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer	$955.89	
Petty Cash Bills not audited	92.55	
do do in May	69.09	
Cash in Safe June 1st	94.20	$1211.73

Mr De Laguna having paid $275.00 in April, paid but $225.00 in May, so as to leave the Business College still in arrears to the amount of One hundred dollars. Capt. Blythe still owed on the 1st of May $55.00, for the month of April, this amount he has paid and now owes $50.00 for the month of May. Mr Dixey owes to the 25th of June $81.50

Twenty one (21) new members have joined the Institute, viz:

Theodore Jasperson	J. Armiger	Julius A. Fish
John Asselin	P. Maher	H. H. Lawrence
Henry Carlbert	Carlos White	H. St. Kind
Nicholas Lohse	Miss Ida Huff	Alexander Kidd
E. F. Schroeder	Samuel B. Martin	J. M. Hund.
Joseph Turner	A. Hoffman	Mrs. A. D. Arnot Jr.
W. S. Lilien	Jas. C. Patrick (Life)	J. B. Mandeford

There have been added to the Library by purchase 121 volumes, classified as follows: Fiction 71. Laws 1, Theology 1, Travels 1, Essays 15, Biography 6, History 3, Science and Art 19, Philology 1, Poetry 3.

Donations have been received

from Sands & McDougall Melbourne Victoria
Melbourne Directory for 1871

from H. C. Boyd, Washington, D. C.
Washington Directory for 1871

from Hon. Cornelius Cole
Congressional Globe, 2d Session 40th Congress 6 vols
do do, 3d " 40th " 3 "
" " 1st " 41st " 1 "
" " 2d " 41st " 7 "
Patent Office Reports for 1868 4 "

from Hon. Eugene Casserly.
Patent Office Report for 1868 4 vols

from R. Sands & Son Sydney, N. S. W.
Sydney Directory for 1871

from Agapius Honcharenko
Slavonic and Russian New Testament of the Russian Bible Society, St. Petersburg. (Society suppressed by Nicholas and work out of print)

from State Agricultural Society
Report for 1870
List of Premiums of State Fair of 18-23 Sept 1871
from H. H. Smith.
Black Walnut Book Case for Library.
from J. H. Carey.
Cretraeno, in Greek with full notes and Commentary in Latin
Boerhaave's edition, folio, Leyden, 1735.
Medical Works of Fr. Delabre Sprino, in Latin
folio, Geneva, 1680.
from the Alaska Commercial Company
107 Volumes in the Russian Language viz:-
6 Medical of which 2 in Ms
11 Scientific
3 Travels
50 Bound Periodical, containing article on geography travels &c.
23. Historical
7. Goverment and Political Economy.
2. Philology
2. Poetry

All of which is respectfully Submitted

G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
May 31st 1871

Librarian's Report received and ordered spread on the minutes, names of new members approved, and the financial portion of repat referred to Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

Communications from Messrs Robt Sands of Jas Lords and John Sands Sydney setting forth donations of Directorys, from Messrs D. A. Macdonald and H. Gruenhagen accepting positions as Judges of Election on June 5th, Communications read and ordered placed on file-

On motion adjourned

H. H. Williams
Rec. Secty.

Annual Meeting of the Mechanics' Institute
Rooms of the Institute
June 1st 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair

Present, a Quorum.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved as read.

On recommendation of the Board of Trustees and by unanimous vote of the members of the Institute present, Messrs S. B. Axtell and W. H. Webb were declared Honorary Members of the Institute.

The following Annual Report of President Hallidie was read, received and ordered that one thousand copies of the same be printed.

President's Annual Report.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute:

According to custom and the requirement of the Society, I have the honor to submit a report of proceedings and affairs connected with the Mechanics' Institute, and the interests it represents.

The last annual report, dating to June, 1870, placed the condition of the Society before you at that date. Since that time the Trustees have given their undivided attention to improving the status of the Institute, and to place it on a firm financial condition.

This, of course, cannot be accomplished without labor and time, but it must be done before the Mechanics' Institute can hope to occupy that position of usefulness designed for it, or attain toward the ends for which it was organized. Until this is accomplished, its sphere of usefulness will necessarily be restricted, and the essential machinery necessary to keep it in motion will be clogged or out of gear. Every portion of the present building you are able to spare from the absolute needs of the Library and Reading Rooms you are compelled to rent for the purpose of producing sufficient income to enable you to pay your way. Thus you are an have

been, ever since you erected this building, forced to deprive yourself of room you absolutely need in the carrying out of the objects of your organization, as stated in Art 3rd of the Constitution of your Society, and toward which we have progressed but little. I sincerely trust events may take such a turn as to enable your Trustees to carry out the wishes nearest their hearts – the establishment of a School of Design, Tuition in Special Subjects, the formation of a creditable Museum, and a thoroughly technical Library.

The need of all this is felt more and more each year. With the growth of the city of San Francisco as a manufacturing centre, the children therein are growing into lads and young men, and require their attention to other educational institutions to fit them for the trades and professions connected with the industries. And herein lies the safety of the next generation, and the germ of our future prosperity; fit the young men for a trade and for as much more as you please – but for a trade anyway – and in their manhood they will be able and willing to take care of themselves, and not be dependent on society or charity for their existence. It is a misfortune that this city has so many idle young men – the result of unlocated and early associations – who need to be taken care of; a fair proportion of whom sober down to quietness and a negative kind of industry, when they reach those years of discretion which are beyond the years set down by law; and there is some consolation in this, or else our prospects would not be very cheering.

We should offer attractions and inducements to the young men so that they will become interested in the Mechanics' Institute: and I trust there may be some method by which this can be accomplished. Yet we cannot close our eyes to the fact that whatever effort is being made in this direction by earnest and well-wishing friends, on the other hand is negatived by the existence of many sundry of degrading influences; and it is a matter of surprise that such an extent of petty gambling, and its accompanying vice, drinking, is permitted in the corner groceries. Perhaps the first lessons in these vices are given in these small stores more than anywhere else. Without some good juvenile institutions, the youth of San Francisco, to whom we look for our future mechanics, will ere long rapidly and degenerate in its manhood by its own excess. Home undoubtedly is the great controller and director, but when so many families have no homes – for hotels and boarding houses are not homes – other means must be furnished; and it is here where societies like the Mechanics' Institute must step in and take its place.

I have before referred the matter for organizing Clubs, and Sub-Societies for special purposes; among the members of the Association; and I hope this can be done, so that a more intimate interchange of thought, idea, and courtesy may be engendered amongst us, and we may know each other better. Referring to the industries, while much has been done during the year past, yet the field lies open for enterprise, and invites the efforts of the manufacturer, the mechanic and the laborer; and in this connection, I have before drawn your attention to some facts in regard to the difficulties under which the manufacturing interest labors – not difficulties within themselves, but from without; and the result of conditions which should not exist – and which I consider so vital and important to the industrial classes that I cannot help referring to them again, as from the courtesy of Mr. W. C. Bennett I was able to procure reliable figures, which places it in a stronger light, and demonstrates to what extent we are sometimes led by our own folly.

There are 1533 manufactories of all kinds in this city, employing an aggregate capital of $15,304,767, and they pay

For wages	7,865,057.
For raw materials	23,852,507.
Allow interest at 12 per cent	3,060,572.
Rent of Stores and workshops at say $500 per	2,299,500.
Clerk hire, $1200 per annum	1,839,600.
Taxes, advertising, and bad debts	2,100,000.
Incidentals, and sundries 10% of total	3,990,027.
Total, outlay	$43,890,263.

The value of the material produced by these 1555 manufactories is $49,462,398, leaving a profit of $5,572,135, or 33 per cent, per annum on the capital employed, to which add the 12 per cent. included in above, will give total profit at 34 per cent per annum.
The whole number of persons employed in manufacturing is 4832, of which 1036, are women, and 584 boys; giving as wages

Men	$444.53
Women	240.00
Boys	120.00

This certainly seems to me to be below the average, and a much lower rate of wages than I supposed possible – according to the wages returned to me by the Secretary of the Labor Exchange, as paid to Carpenters, Machinists, Bricklayers, Stone-cutters, Blacksmiths, and Laborers – and shows an error somewhere; or else the few obtain high wages, while the rank and file have to be content with the crumbs, or that the number of days are few that the men are employed.
Whether this is the result of organization or want of organization, the history of the last year or two can best tell.
Looking on the other side, we see the Savings Banks – having deposits amounting to $37,000,000 – yielding an annual revenue to the depositors of about $1,800,000. And here I must pause and take a long breath; it shows a wonderful amount of wealth contributed by the poorer classes – for you know Savings Banks were organized for the poorer classes – to enable them to lay up their hard earned savings, and wealthy men would have nothing to do with them except as guardians.
It shows by this perversion of the Savings Banks

that these poor people are usury, exporting from the still poorer the highest rate of interest and the pound of flesh too. It shows that they ignore the command of God to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow.
Turn that amount of capital into manufactures and honest industry, and under the present condition of affairs you increase the amount of the manufacturing capital three fold, and give employment to 20,000 more families; adding a permanent and self increasing wealth to the State, and thus become national benefactors.
In addition to that, reaping a better return than you can hope to obtain from Savings Banks. One man, who starts at cobbler's stall, and though the exercise of his industry gives employment to the father of one family more, is a benefactor; and relatively, in a greater degree, is the man of capital who encourages industry by his means – while he who loans his money only on non-industrial collateral security, extorting the highest possible rate of interest, is a drag on the industry of the State.
The country situated west of the Rocky Mountains naturally looks to San Francisco for such supplies as usually come from a large manufacturing and commercial sea port; and San Francisco, in order to be in condition to supply its wants, must be able to compete with the older cities on the other side, in manufacturing skill, facilities and economy. The source for any material difference in the price to be paid for money and labor are fast disappearing; "and with regard to labor, the difference is more on the surface than in reality, from the existence of rich poor men, who, having bank accounts, prevent the equal distribution of work to all who are willing to work; taking the cream themselves, and to the masses giving only the dry crumbs;" (see census returns).
And in respect to money, I see no reason now why we should not assimilate in our habits and customs to the rest of our common country, by "employing the same national currency".

From the number of railroads projected across the continent, it is evident that we must give up our notions of isolation and bend to the task of sustaining ourselves against the strong current of competition and rivalry.

The population of San Francisco – already beyond 150,000 – should have it in a larger proportion of mechanics. If, from any local influences, we cannot raise such among us, then they will come from other towns, for undoubtedly the supply will equal the demand; but it is much better we should apprentice the boys, so that they grow up among us, as[illegible] industrious youths.

But we must more than sustain ourselves – we must be able to compete with any competitor, and out-rival any rival.

With the advantages of a climate adapted for working in, of position and prestige, with ordinary business tact, foresight and discretion, and some encouragement to manufacturers and the economic industries, we need fear no antagonist; but without these, we will find a formidable rival growing up somewhere in the vicinity of Puget Sound, which will give us considerable trouble to get rid of.

It therefore behooves us to cultivate, and protect the hardworking laborer and mechanic in our midst, so that we may forever keep that great source of prosperity and happiness among us; and, while admitting our mistakes, adopt measures which may be of benefit to all concerned.

And to you, gentlemen, of the Mechanics' Institute, who, being mechanics, are familiar with our needs and necessities, I commend the further consideration of the subject.

Arrangements for the forthcoming Industrial Exhibition, to be given under the auspices of the Mechanics' Institute, have been pushed ahead with all the energy at the command of the Board of Managers. The services of Mr. J. K. Gilmore were secured as Special Agent, who has canvassed the city with excellent results, and who reports at this time applications for exhibiting space to the amount of 35,500 feet.

This exceeds in amount the whole of the exhibiting

space occupied during the Industrial Exhibition of 1869, and there is yet one month and one half to receive applications in.

It will undoubtedly be necessary to enlarge the area of the ground floor so as to provide room for exhibitors. The Managers have concluded an arrangement with the Bay District Horticultural Society, whereby that Society exhibits in a wing to be added to the south side of the Pavilion, and during the term of the Fair.

Here the horticultural exhibition will undoubtedly possess an attraction, under the well directed management of professional horticulturists, it could not possess under the Managers of the Industrial Exhibitions, and that opportunity should not be lost sight of by those interested in this department.

The Managers dispatched an agent to Japan, for the purpose of obtaining from that country a full exhibit of its productions, raw and manufactured, and to draw the attention of its Government to the facilities possessed by San Francisco to furnish it with many manufactures and articles heretofore imported by it from Europe. Also, to induce the Japanese Government to appoint Commissioners to visit and report upon the forthcoming Industrial Exhibition.

Circulars have been distributed throughout the United States, the adjacent countries and the islands of the Pacific, stating the facts relating to the exhibition, and to this end 25,000 circulars have been distributed by mail, and by courtesy of mercantile houses, under the judicious direction of the Special Agent.

Considering the importance of a thorough knowledge of the natural resources of the Pacific Coast, and of the wants and requirements of this city and harbor, as well as of several special subjects exceeding desirable, the Managers, acting under the spirit of the State Legislature in extending to this Society, a cash appropriation, have offered the sum of $3,350, as premiums for certain reports, essays, and exhibits, a list of which was

laid before you as early as the December meeting of 1870. It is to be hoped these premiums may be generally competed for by reliable authorities, so that positive data may be furnished, which will be of exceeding value to the best interests of the State, and return many fold the sums appropriated.

To encourage the study of drawing and designing in the public day and evening schools, the Managers have offered special premiums to the pupils thereof. And the apprentices, also, have not been forgotten.

Circulars have been forwarded to the principal mines on the Pacific Coast, asking for specimens of ores, rocks, etc., to be forwarded to the Exhibition, and blanks accompany the circulars, desiring full information thereto - it being the intention of the Managers to place them in the proposed Museum of the Institute after the close of the Fair.

Wells, Fargo & Co. have generously tendered the assistance of their agents, and the free transportation of their routes.

In the matter of goods to be exhibited at the next Fair, I wish to acknowledges, in addition to the before mentioned generosity of Messrs. Wells, Fargo & Co, the like friendly offices by the Pacific Mail S.S.Co. line of steamers to Japan and China, the Central Pacific R.R.Co. over their lines, and the California Pacific R.R.Co, over their lines and steamers, which transport articles to be exhibited, free of charge. The arrangement being as follows: Freight to be paid on goods going toward the Exhibition, and on the return of all goods so exhibited to their original place of shipment, accompanied by a certificate of exhibition, signed by the Secretary of the Board of Managers, the freight charges thereby paid will be returned, and no charges will be made for the retransportation of the goods.

Articles intended for exhibition coming east of the Central Pacific R.R.Co. line will be required to pay freight to San Francisco, but the Central Pacific R.R.Co. will return all such articles to points of original departure, free of charge.

It is important that every effort should be directed to insure the success of the Eighth Industrial Exhibition. Your co-operation I feel is assured, so, therefore, let us bend our united efforts to this end; let us gird up our loins and prepare for hard work, and having the determination to succeed, failure is impossible. We must bear in mind, also, that some years will elapse before you can hold another industrial fair, and gather together the industries of this coast, for the building on Union Square must be removed immediately after the termination of the approaching exhibition, and it is difficult to see where, or how we can construct another building sufficiently central and capacious. The affairs of the Institute are not retrograding. All available funds have been exhausted in making additions to the library, and in reducing the mortgaged indebtedness.

In the department of the Committee of Rooms, and Building, everything is reported in good repair. We are finding ourselves cramped for room. The reading room is often crowded during the evening, and more shelving will be needed for books now on the way; and the attention of your Trustees is directed toward increasing, to some extent the accommodations of the room.

Every part of the building has been rented to generally prompt paying tenants, bringing in a month by month by rental of $625.

Some extraordinary expenses have been incurred; repairing the street and laying down asphaltum sidewalk has cost $2415.69; City and county taxes have amounted to $9666.60; the front of the building has been repainted, and various other outlays have been made on it.

The committee make several judicious recommendations to the Trustees, to which I beg to call their attention.

The committee on Books and Donations report:

Number of books in Library June 1, 1870	15,024.
Added by purchase during the past year	1,587.
Added by donation	396.
Total volumes at present date	17,007

The volumes added during the year are thus classified:

Science and Art.	584
Fiction	687
Reports	258
Essays	89
Biography	53
History	144
Poetry	55
Russian Works	105
Travels	35
Various other	90
Total	1958

Among the donations are 107 rare and valuable works, presented by the Alaska Commercial Company, written in the Russian language, being 4 medical (2 of which are manuscript), 14 scientific, 3 travels, 50 bound periodicals (geography, travels, etc), 23 historical, 7 government & political economy, 2 philology, 2 poetry.

Your Society has been endeavoring to collate works bearing on our new northern possessions and adjacent territory, this liberal and considerate donation is exceedingly well timed.

The Committee also refer to the valuable gift of Representative Axtell, being a full and complete set of the Congressional Globe, which he secured at considerable outlay of time and money, presenting these works with others to the Mechanics' Institute.

To our Representatives in Congress the Society is under very many deep obligations for donations during the past year.

The reading room is supplied with the following newspapers:

Of the Pacific Coast	101
City	34
Eastern States and Canada	67
Europe	35
Australia	3
Total	244

The Trustees have succeeded in securing a full and complete set of the Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of Great Britain, 149 volumes, besides the continuance, about 18 Volumes.

Your Society can esteem itself fortunate in the possession of such rare, valuable and unique works, which have only been secured after considerable patience and vigilance on the part of your London agent. These Transactions were first published in the year 1665, and continue down to near the present time. As they were shipped on the Steamer Cuba on 5th May last, it is expected they will arrive here on the Steamer due 25th inst.

The Committee on Lectures and Classes have but little to report in its department, further than the fact of the success of the lectures under the auspices of the State University, and to which the Committee have given both time and attention, and for the success of these lectures in the various details of arrangements connected therewith, we are indebted to the Committee for their personal attention and care.

The Committee of Ways, Means and Accounts report the examinations of accounts by them, and their correctness so far as they have been able to devote time to their examination, and refer to the Treasurer's report, more particularly, for details.

From the report of the Treasurer, and an examination of the drafts on the Treasurer and the Librarian's vouchers, the financial transactions and condition of the Society are as follows:

Institute Account.

Receipts from June 1, 1870 to May 31, 1871.

Rents	$7,137.50	
Dues - membership, etc.	5,604.50	
Pavilion Fund	120.00	
Sundries	62.79	
Balance in Treasury June 1870	423.39	
Total Receipts		14,428.24

Expenditures

Insurance	292.50
Interest	2399.98
Books	1987.78
Newspapers	645.93
Advertising	117.25
Furniture and supplies	594.30
Petty cash, tools	436.00
Water	192.00
Gas	1031.50
Improvements and repairs	839.82
Painting	129.20
Book Binding	308.28
Sinking Fund	1460.36
Salaries	3915.00
Sundries	8.14
	$14098.14

Balance on hand, Institute account May 31, 1871 $330.10

Sinking Fund

Receipts

June, 1870	$142.57	
July	84.50	
August	82.00	
September	119.06	
October	99.00	
November	73.00	
December	142.95	
January 1871	96.21	
February	223.99	
March	141.96	
April	96.00	
May.	95.92	
Balance on hand June 1st 1870	1249.15	
Interest on average monthly balance	52.00	2701.61

Disbursements

City and county personal taxes 1870-71	170.00	
City and county real estate taxes 1870-71	796.60	
Street assessment tax	370.54	1337.14
Balance on hand, Sinking Fund a/c, May 31, 1871		$1364.50

Pavilion Fund.

Receipts for current year.

Rents	$ 446.00.25
Sundries	130.75
Horticultural Exhibition	15 79.72
	6310.72

Disbursements

Salaries	750.00
Labor	81.00
Material	119.50
Law Expenses	533.50
Repairs	100.00
Insurance	378.75
Sundries	33.85
Mechanics Institute.	1200.00
Union Insurance Co., on acct of mortgage on Institute building	3000.00
Total	6195.60

Balance $ 115.12

For the Seventh Industrial Fair Fund there remains a balance of $37.68 in the hands of the Treasurer.

There is due the Treasurer, for advances on account of the Eighth Industrial Fair, $ 172.28

The Treasurer shows the following balances:

Cash on hand May 31, 1871.	Institute Account	$ 330.10
Cash on hand May 31, 1871	Sinking Fund	1364.50
Cash on hand May 31, 1871	Pavilion Fund	115.12
Cash on hand May 31, 1871	Seventh Fair Fund	37.68
	Total	$ 1847.40
Due Treasurer, for advances on 8th Eighth Fair		$ 172.28

Statement of the Assets and Liabilities of the Mechanics' Institute June 1. 1871.

Assets.

Lot and building on Post St.	$ 115000.00
Library	23500.00
Fixtures and Furniture	6000.00
Property on Union Square (estimated)	6500.00
Cash in Librarian's hands	9620
Cash in Treasurer's hands	1547.40
Dues unpaid and collectable	400.00
Due from W. T. Hanley. (rent Pavilion)	1000.00
Due from Rollin Skating C. " "	150.00
Due from Pacific Business College, rent	100.00
Due from Capt Blyth, rent	50.00
Due from Davies, rent	8150
	154753.10

Liabilities

Mortgage, Union Insurance Co	37000.00
Two Mos. int. unpaid Union Insurance Co	1541.65
Due Treasurer acct Eighth Industrial Fair	172.28
Bills audited	331.49
Due B. Guasticb for books (£191. 7. 3)	956.81
Bills not audited	580.55
	41152.78

Net assets $ 113549.32

Showing a gain over amount reported in my Annual Report of June 1. 1870 of $ 1512.97.

It is satisfactory to know that during the year the mortgage has been reduced $ 3000.00, and the rate of interest from 12 to 10 per cent.

I have carefully compiled from the records of the past three years, showing the amounts received from various sources for each quarter of each year:

Membership Dues

Year	Quarter ending Aug 31	Quarter ending Nov 30	Quarter ending Feby 28	Quarter ending May 31	Totals for Year.
1868-69	$1461.00	946.50	1615.75	1212.75	5236.00
1869-70	1345.75	1211.45	1215.25	1289.50	5062.17
1870-71	1361.90	1235.00	1550.25	1800.00	5215.75

Entrance Fees.

1868-69	37.50	45.00	70.50	57.00	210.00
1869-70	70.00	67.50	87.00	53.50	313.00
1870-71	57.00	101.00	96.50	65.00	344.50

Stock.

1868-69	60.00	55.00	520.00	10.00	645.00
1869-70	25	abolished			25.00

Life Members

1868-69	100.00	150.00	50.00	100.00	400.00
1869-70			100.00		100.00
1870-71		100.00		100.00	200.00

Rents

1868-69	1665.00	1710.00	1770.00	1740.00	6885.00
1869-70	1690.00	1750.00	1575.00	1691.00	6706.00
1870-71	1708.00	1791.50	1855.00	1813.00	7167.50

Summary of receipts from above sources.

June 1868 to June 1869	$13376.10
June 1869 to June 1870	12306.50
June 1870 to June 1871	12939.15

Members admitted

1869	346
1870	320
1871	350.

From the foregoing statistics you will be able to draw your own conclusions, and under the general stagnation of business affairs and surrounding conditions we have no occasion to complain, but it is but fair to expect that our membership should increase with the population of the city, and it is to be hoped that the forthcoming Exhibition may be enabled to add to the inducements and attractions that by the close of the next year we may find a very large increase in our membership.

In conclusion, I beg to acknowledge uniform courtesy and consideration on the part of the members and officers of the Society.

Ever, having full faith in the destiny of the Mechanics' Institute, I can only reiterate my determination to assist by my best efforts, in placing the Mechanics' Institute on a firm financial basis, when it will be able to wield an effective and lasting influence for good.

A. S. Wallace
President

Mr. D. M. Smith gave notice that he would move the following Amendment to the Constitution.

That section 2 of Article IX, shall read as follows:

Each member who shall have complied with Art VIII, Sections 1 ~~or~~ 5 at least six months previous to such election, and who is not delinquent, shall be entitled to one vote in the election of Trustees.

On motion adjourned
W. H. Williams.
Rec Secty.
W. H. Williams

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
June 6th 1871.

Meeting called to order, President Hallidie in the Chair.

Minutes of preceding meeting read, and approved as read.

Building Committee reported the Gas Company had promised to consider the matter of reducing rates charged Institute for gas.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct, and which were ordered paid

Institute Fund.

G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Month of May.		$150.00
G. P. Coleman	" " " " "		100.00
H. Steiglitz	" " " " "		79.00
J. Spaulding			48.85
Cubery & Co	Printing		3.00
John T. Hughes	Receipt book		5.00
Mahon, Kapp, Thomas & Co	Printing		3.50
Pacific Medical & Surgical Journal	Subscription		5.00
Olmstead & Cone	Books		5.21
Olmstead & Cone	"		5.78
J. M. Crane & Co	Printing		2.50
Librarians Petty Cash	Extra work for Janitor		10.00
G. M. Josselyn	Halliards		2.50
Wm. R. Lewis	Subscription to Periodicals		14.548
S. F. Bulletin Co	Advertising		23.25
D. Nicholas & Co	Binding		31.00
J. Mac Gillish & Co	Advertising		7.00
Overland Monthly	Subscription to June 1872		4.00
Olmstead & Cone	Books		15.35
A. Roman & Co	"		21.10
A. L. Bancroft & Co	"		31.50
Librarians Petty Cash	" etc		33.00
" "	Supplies		9.00
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books		16.37
"	"		45.11
"	"		37.97
Olmstead & Cone	"		9.51
" "	"		19.50
			$745.17

Institute Fund.

Wm. Ehrgott	Salary for May.		$75.00
Wm. Ehrgott	Cash paid out by him	6.00	$81.00

Gas bill for month of May referred to Committee on Library Rooms, and Building

Report of Judges of Election, received, and read, and ordered spread on minutes.

Tally List for Trustees.

S. C. Bunnell	146
W. H. Williams	146
J. Martenstein	146
J. R. Wilcox	144
Thos. Nelson	146
Chas. P. Bassett	52
D. W. Jones	146
W. C. Peaze	66
W. D. Baker	1
Total Vote	146

We hereby certify that the above is a full and true return of the Vote cast at an Election, held for the Election of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute, at the Institute Building on Monday June 5th 1871, between the hours of 12 and 9 P. M.

D. A. Mac Donald
S. Colpitt.
Wm. Ehrgott
} Judges

H. Kenick
W. A. Clark
} Clerks.

On motion, the Board declared the following gentlemen duly elected, to serve as Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute for the ensuing two years.

S. C. Bunnell. J. R. Wilcox. D. W. Jones.
W. H. Williams. Thos. Nelson.
J. Martenstein. Chas. P. Bassett.

The following Resolution was adopted by the Board.

Resolved, "That, in consideration of the lecture by Prof Pickering, next Saturday evening, before the Mechanics' Art Class, bearing upon the subject of "Small Arms" an invitation be extended to Gov Booth Haight and Staff, and that Adjutant Genl Cagwin be authorized to extend an invitation to the commissioned officers of the several military organizations of the city"

Corresponding Secretary was ordered to send invitations, as above set forth.

President requested to call special meeting of the Institute, Thursday evening June 9th 1871.

On motion, adjourned

W H Williams
Rec Secty
W H Williams

Special Meeting of the Mechanics' Institute
Rooms of the Institute
June 9th 1871.

A meeting of the Institute was held for the purpose of installing the newly elected Trustees, duly elected at the election of Trustees to serve for the ensuing two years, held at the Institute Building June 8th 71.

Mr Wm P Rankin, Chairman of the Installing Committee presiding.
Present a quorum.

The following Report was received from the Board of Trustees, and adopted.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.

The Board of Trustees of your Society beg leave to report, that upon examination of the returns from the Judges of Election, for the Election of Seven (7) Trustees to serve for the ensuing two (2) years, held June 8th 1871, they have declared the following gentlemen duly elected. viz.

B C Benniner. W H Williams
J Wartenstein J R Wilson
Thos Nelson. Chas F Bassett
W N Jones.

Respectfully Submitted
A S Hallidie Pres't
W H Williams Rec Secty.

San Francisco
June 9th 1871.

The above named gentlemen elected as Trustees, duly subscribed to the Oath required by the Constitution of the Institute
Mr Rankin delivered a very neat and entertaining address, to the newly installed and retiring Trustees.
Mr Hallidie tendered the thanks of the Board to the retiring Trustees, for their faithful performance of the duties that developed upon them, during the expired term.
On motion adjourned
W H Williams
Rec Secty.

Special Meeting "New Board of Trustees"
June 9th 1871.

The new Board of Trustees met for the purpose of organization

Wm H Hallidie was elected President
" B P Drummer " " Vice "
" Henry L Davis " " Treasurer
" W R Jones " " Corresponding Secy
" W J Williams " " Rec "

On motion adjourned.

W J Williams
Rec Secty
W H Hallidie

Special Meeting Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute
June 13th 1871.

Meeting called to order, President Hallidie in the chair.
Absent. J M. Scott.

Reading of minutes of preceding meetings dispensed with

The President appointed the following committees to serve for the ensuing fiscal year.

Ways, Means and Accounts.

Hanscom Masterson Bassett.

Library Rooms, and Building.

Kerr Wilcox Hopps.

Books and Donations.

Spaulding J M Scott Thos Nelson.

Lectures and Classes

Hopps Scott Bassett.

Communications received:

From Odd Fellows Library Association tendering privileges of their Library and Rooms, to the chairman of the Committee on Books and Donations of the Mechanics' Institute, ordered placed on file.

From Bernard Guaetch, recommending the purchase of certain books by the Institute, referred to Committee on Books and Donations.

From Horace Capron, U. S. Commissioner Dep't of Agriculture, Washington D.C. setting forth forwarding of Reports of Diseases of Cattle in the United States, ordered placed on file.

On motion, the Board adjourned for the purpose of organizing Board of Managers for the Eighth Industrial Exhibition of the Mechanics' Institute

W J Williams
Rec Secty
W H Hallidie

Regular Meeting, Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute.
June 20th 1871

Meeting called to order, President Hallidie in the chair.

Absent. Hanscom Masterson and Scott.

Minutes of preceeding meetings, read and approved as read.

Building Committee endorsed the recommendation of the Librarian in matter of necessary shelving in the Reference Library, and the same was referred to the Building Committee, with power.

On the matter of reduction in the Gas rates, the committee reported that the Gas Company had the matter still before them, and would return answer as soon as possible.

The Board approved the recommendation of the meeting of the members of the Institute, to print

1500 copies of the Annual Report of the President, and the Committee on Books and Donations instructed to have the same printed by Francis and Valentine for $70.00

President Hallidie reported that a volume of the Examiner had been mutilated in the Reference Library, by the removal of about one column and a half of one of the numbers, and that he had authorized Mr Coleman, Assistant Librarian, to proceed to Sacramento to enquire into the matter, and that Mr Coleman, had returned, having the missing paper in his possession. The matter was referred to the Committee on Books and Donations, together with the President, with power.

Spring Valley Water Co. water for June 1st 1500
H H Williams
On motion, adjourned
W. H. Williams
Rec Secty.

Regular Meeting. Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute July 5th 1871

Meeting called to order. President Hallidie in the chair.

Absent Messrs Scott and Wilcox
Minutes of preceding meeting read, and approved as read.

Committee on Books and Donations reported communication from C. C. Hurlburt Librarian, recommending the purchase of the "Annals des Ponts et Chaussees" at a cost of £ 55. Report accepted and the Board ordered that the same be purchased
On motion, the Board determined to attend the closing exercises of the Mechanics' Arts College Saturday Evening July 15th 1871.

Librarians' Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I beg leave to lay before you the following report for the month of June.

Amount received for Initiation fees	$ 30.00
" " " dues	1017.85
" " from J. F. Snow	10.00
" " " E. O. Belle for Wright	6.00
" " " Pacific Business College	50.00
" " " J. O. Donnell	10.00
" " " H. H. Blyth to 1st June	10.00
" " " W. Hammond	50.00
Balance on hand June 1st 1871	255.84
Collections in June	105.85
Rents in June	54.00
	1878.69
Paid W. L. Davis	1567.00
Petty Cash bills not audited	109.64
" " in June	89.90
Cash on hand July 1st	112.15
	1878.69

Thirty nine new members have joined the Institute. viz

Wm C. Bates.	Gertrude G. Flint	Mrs Mary Mowat.
Miss Mary A Cassidy	Jas E. Gordon	P. Healy.
Daniel C. Combe.	J. H. W. Lowell.	Geo L. Hull.
Jacob Bacon.	C. W. Freeman	Peter Hoffin
W. W. Betts	Mrs J. Williams	Jas H. Vince
C. C. Wm.	Seymour McBride.	Harry Hatton.
C. H. Valentine	Caroline Steel.	W. W. Wilcox
E. R. Cabot.	F. G. Stowbs Jr	Jas C. Rogers
Raoul Chantrey.	Robert Reid	W. Hartley.
Martin Hall.	W. W. Withrow	Jas Jefferson.
Eg L. Skinny	S. M. Pearlman.	W. A. Wilbur
Geo W. Rose.	H. F. Reis	J. Knight
A. B. Phipps	D. B. Francis	W. J. Dixon

One hundred and forty six books have been added

to the Library by purchase, classified as follows
Fiction 85 Wit and Humor 2. Theology 3. Travels 6
Classics 1 Law 2. Political Economy 1 Essays etc 8
Biography 6. History 3 Science and Art 35. Poetry 6

Donations have been received from
Hon C Cole. 5 vols Congressional Globe.
Hon H Capron. Diseases of Cattle in 1869.
Mercantile Library Association N.Y. Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration.
H Fleming Sydney N.S.W. Catalogue Library Sydney Mechanics School of Arts
Ex Rhode Insurance Commissioners Report 1870.
Chamber of Commerce San Francisco. Annual Report.
All of which is respectfully submitted
G C Hurlbut.
San Francisco June 1st 1871 Librarian

Received, names for membership approved.
Corresponding Secretary instructed to return thanks of the Board for donations received and the financial portion of report referred to Committee of Ways Means and Accounts.
Committee on Ways Means and Accounts report the following bills correct, and the same were ordered by the Board to be paid

G C Hurlbut	Salary for June.		$175.00
G P Coleman	" " "		100.00
H Steight	" " "		70.00
Union Insurance Co	Policies 16537/16929		152.25
Alta California	Subscription to July 1st		11.70
Daily Morning Call.	Advertising		13.00
W O Wile	Walnut Frame.		3.00
Hicks & Co.	Binding		34.50
Olmsted & Cone.	Books		8.30
A Roman & Co.	"		25.57
Bartling & Simball	Binding etc		144.75
A L Bancroft & Co.	Books		30.81
A Roman & Co	"		31.09
Librarians Petty Cash.	Sundries	22.00 40.80	62.80
" " "	"	29.25 49.75	79.10
" " "			27.10
B Dewitch	Books		95.81
	Total		1922.53

Treasurers Report.
To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute
Gentlemen
I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for June 1871.

Receipts

On acct of Rents		$484.00	
" " Collections		1083.00	
Bal in Treasury as per report for May.		330.10	1897.10

Disbursements

J W McCulloch & Co	Advertising	1.50	231
J W Crane & Co	Printing	4.00	234
D W Gunn	Hardware	4.00	236
S F Bulletin	Advertising	1.50	237
G C Hurlbut	Salary for May.	175.00	237
G P Coleman	" " "	100.00	238
H Steight	" " "	70.00	239
J Spaulding & Co	Cleaning Carpets	48.85	240
Mahon Rapp Thomas & Co	Printing	4.00	242
G C Hurlbut	Petty Cash	10.00	248
"	"	33.10	248
"	"	9.00	249
Olmsted & Cone.	Books	5.21	245
" "	"	5.78	246
" "	"	18.35	246
" "	"	9.57	243
" "	"	19.63	244
A L Bancroft & Co	"	31.50	257
" "	"	15.37	260
" "	"	43.11	261
" "	"	37.97	262
S F Bulletin	Advertising	33.25	261
Morning Call.	"	9.00	199
"	"	1.50	214
W E Loomis	Medicals etc.	145.48	253
J W McCulloch & Co	Advertising	7.00	255
A Roman & Co.	Books	21.10	253
D Hicks & Co	Binding	31.00	255
Water Company.	Water for June	15.00	263
Mahon Rapp Thomas & Co	Printing	3.50	245
Pacific Medical Journal	Subscription for may.	5.00	244
Union Ins Co	Premium on Policies 16537 16929	152.25	
Sinking fund 10% of Receipts		156.70	1722.12
Leaving balance in Treasury this date			674.98

S F June 30th 1871 Respy Submitted H C Dorn Treas.

Treasurers report referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

On motion the Committee on Books and Donations were instructed to have the mutilated volume of the Examiner made good, and the bill of costs attending the same together with all the expenses that have attended the same heretofore, be presented to Pres Thos Findley for payment. W H Williams

On motion adjourned W. J. Williams
Rec Secty.

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute July 18th 1871

Meeting called to order President Tallidge in the chair
Absent Mess Brunner Hanscom Coppe Scott and Wilcox
Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.
Committee on Ways Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid
Bills Passed July 18th 1871 Board of Trustees.

Swains Bakery	Dinner for Election Officers	5	11.00
M. M. Pepper	Evening Bulletin		26.25
W. E. Loomis	Periodicals and Papers		133.66
S. F. Water Works	Water for July		18.00
Printers & Operatives Union	Printing		9.00
Daily Morning Call	Advertising		1.50
P. P. Bancks	Brokerage		3.45
W. S. S. & Co	Freight		23.41
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books		29.52
Olmstead & Cone	"		11.13
A. Roman & Co	"		31.05

On motion it was ordered that the Pavilion Fund not be balanced, and the same transferred to the Eighth Industrial Exhibition Fund.
Invitation from the Regents of the University of California to attend the commencement exercises of the University accepted.
Secretary authorized to employ help to write up the back minutes of the meetings of the Board and Institute On motion adjourned
W. J. Williams Rec Secty
W H Williams

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute.
Aug 1st 1871.

Meeting called to order President Tallidge in the chair
Absent Mess Jones Hanscom Scott and Wilcox
Reading of Minutes of previous meeting dispensed with
Building committee recommended the purchase of hose for street wash. Recommendation adopted.
Treasurers report for the month of July received and referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.
To the President and Board of Managers of the Mechanics Institute.
Gentlemen, Herewith I submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for July 1871.

Receipts

Rec'd. of rents		756.00	
" " " collections		262.04	
Balance in Treasury as per Report for June		672.98	1691.02

Disbursements

Cash paid	B Guariford	for books	956.81	258
G. C. Hazelhurst	Salary for June		175.00	266
G. Coleman	" " "		100.00	267
H. Steiglitz			70.00	268
G. C. Hazelhurst	Petty Cash		22.50	253
"	"		40.80	254
"	"		29.25	255
"	"		49.85	256
"	"		27.10	257
G. W. Josselyn	Halyards		2.50	249
Evening Alta California	Subscription		11.70	270
Morning Call	Advertising		13.00	271
Cubery & Co.	Printing		3.00	241
John F. Hughes	Receipt Book		5.00	242
J. M. Crane & Co	Printing		2.50	247
W. J. Wile	Walnut frame		3.00	272
J. H. O'Brien & Co	Plumbing		7.75	221
M. M. Pepper	Subscription to Bulletin		26.25	274
Sinking fund 10% of Receipts		101.80		1644.81
Leaving balance in Treasury this date				46.21

San Francisco July 31st 1871
Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas

Librarians Report for the month of July received, names of new members approved. Individual portion of report referred to Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts, and the corresponding Secretary instructed to return the thanks of the Board for donations received.

Librarians Report.

To the Board of Trustees.
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

I beg leave to report for the month of July, as follows

Amount received for	Initiation fees	$ 34.00
" " "	dues	295.35
" " "	J C Snow for rent.	50.00
" " "	Pacific Business College	250.00
" " "	E Belle 1 night shall room	3.00
" " "	F Dixey on a/c	73.00
" " "	A Blythe to 1st July.	130.00
" " "	" 1st Aug.	130.00
" " "	W Hammond to 15th	50.00
" " "	J O Donnell	60.00
		$ 1115.35

Cash on hand July 1st	311.69	
Collection in July	239.35	
Rent paid in July.	756.00	1327.04
Amount paid R L Davis	1018.04	
Petty Cash bill July.	41.95	
Cash on hand Aug 1st	267.05	1327.04

Wm F Dixey has this day paid Thirty Dollars and now owes for the two months ending Aug 25th - Eighty eight 50/100 Dollars.

Thirty four new members have joined the Institute viz.

Jacob W White	J D Valentine	J F O Day.
Barzillai Cocks	H T Bakey.	Chas D Cushing.
Wm E Hawthorne	H K White	Mary F Byrnes
C C Carbutt.	C F Travis	Jno H Mitchell
W E Moody.	Wm C Waterhouse	Amanda Landis.
A M Tilden	Paul Friedhofer.	J W Tweeddale.
Geo D Carlisle	J B Harris	Arthur Barber.
Geo Leonard.	Henry Tolbert	F W Van Reynegom.
Geo F Peace.	Wm M Dore	G S Reed.
C M Vaccaric	Alex Willis	Chas Wilson
M Herzman	J B Cocker.	Miss Ella Meredith
W Sonnichsen.		

Sixty eight volumes have been added to the Library by purchase, classified as follows.

Fiction 33. Wit and Humor 2. Theology 2 Travel 1 Essays and Philosophy 5. Biography 1 History 2 Encyclopaedia 1 Science and Art 19 Poetry 2

Besides these, there have been received from England, and placed upon the shelves, One hundred and fifty two volumes of the Philosophical Transactions, and History of the Royal Society.

The following donations have been received:
From the California Prison Commission, 2d Annual report. Prison Association of New York.
From Macondey & Co. Report on Industrial Progress of New South Wales
From J W Fisher Australasian of May 16th & 20th Sydney Morning Herald. May 12. 13 18. 19 23 25 27 30th
From Geo Spaulding Hygines et Polybius de Castris Romanorum. (Edition of Amsterdam 1660)
From Agricultural Society of New South Wales, Schedule of Prizes, International Exhibition, 24 Apics Industrial Progress of New South Wales, and Agricultural Society's Journal, 1874.
From Leo Elsasser. Josephi Historice Novem Libri VI Gr et Lat Oxford 1679. Simplicii, Comm in Epicteti Manuale. Leyden 1640. Epicteti Manuale. Cebetis Tabula, Prodici, Hercules et Theophrasti, Characteres, Gr et Lat. London 1744.

I would call the attention of the Board to the necessity of providing a hose for washing off the sidewalk in front of the Institute, at least once a day. The present condition is offensive to more than one sense
All of which is respectfully submitted
G. C. Kimball
Librarian

San Francisco Aug 1st 1874.

Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts reported the following Bills correct and the same were ordered paid.

Bills ordered paid Aug 1st

W. S. Moss	Advertising	$37.50
Mahon Rapp & Co.	Printing	4.50
Olmsted Lane	Books	9.55
Roman & Co.	"	11.55
H. Bancroft & Co.	"	14.44
J. Best & Co.	Advertising	6.00
J. McKillop & Co.	"	14.00
Abend Post	"	5.00
		$102.34

On motion adjourned

H. H. Williams
Sec. Pro Tem.

San Francisco Aug 1st 1874.

H. H. Williams

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Mechanics' Institute
Sept 5th 1874.

Meeting called to order, President Hollister in the Chair.
Roll call. Full Board.
Reading Minutes of previous meeting dispensed with.

Communication of Bernard Cranich of Trenton received, setting forth success in obtaining for the Mechanics' Institute the Specimens of Patents issued from the Patent Office of England, and that the same would be sent on.
President Hollister requested to acknowledge the same, and return the thanks of the Board.

Report of Committee on Library and Rooms received and ordered spread on the Minutes.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building report:

The building is in general good repair, and requires no great outlay at present. They would recommend, for the better preservation of the roof covering the Ladies Room, the putting up a fence, sufficiently high and strong to prevent the visitors of the Business College from assembling on the roof, and breaking it up.
Since the date of their last Report, your Committee have had the shelves for newspapers remodeled, and new shelving added for books, in the Reference Library; and the doors removed from the cupboards at the end of the Library and shelves fitted to accommodate growing needs.
There is room for improvement of the same kind on one side of the main Library; but your Committee feel that it will be necessary before long to make some more ample provision for the expansion of our rapidly increasing collection.
There exists a necessity for providing the Ladies Room with pure water, by a pipe leading from the main, and your Committee propose to give this matter their earliest attention. Within the past month a hose has been purchased for washing the sidewalk and front of the building

The light in the main entrance hall has been a continued expense for some time past, and is altogether so inadequate to its purpose that your Committee suggest the replacing it by a more sightly and Gothic Gas chandelier, Standard Your Committee cannot but feel that it would be well to consider whether the Institute does not sufferseal loss, both of prestige and of revenue, from its apparent absorption, in the eyes of the public, by the Pacific Business College. The rights of this establishment cover the Institute building; and it is an hourly occurrence for strangers to walk into our Library, and inquire for some student of the College. The Society should allow itself to be so eclipsed on the very ground won by its own sacrifices and exertions; and it should seem to be no more than right to require the removal, from our door posts, of the huge signs, which hardly ascribe to another, and a different institution the chief control of our own premises

Respectfully Submitted
David Kerr
Chas. H. Hoppe
J. D. Wilcox

The following recommendations were adopted, and the Committee authorized to carry out the same: That a fence be placed on the roof of the Ladies Room. That doors of the cupboards at the end of the Library be removed and shelves placed therein. That a large chandelier be placed at the main entrance. That the signs of the Business College be removed from the door posts.

Report of Committee on Books and Donations received and ordered spread on the minutes

The Committee on Books and Donations report for the quarter ending Aug 31st 1874:

The number of volumes added to the Library is five hundred and three, classified as follows

Fiction 139 Mil. History 4 History 7
Science & Arts including Philosophical Transactions 227.
Voyages and Travels 23 Essays 18 Biography 27
History 15 Law 7 Classics 11 Political Economy 5
Philology 4 Poetry 15 Encyclopedias 2. Total 503.
The "Annales des Cortes et Chanceries" ordered of Mr. Quaritch in London, are now in the hands of the binder, according to his letter of Aug 3rd
In a subsequent letter Mr. Quaritch informs President Hatfield that the application made by the Institute, for a set of English Patents, had been denied, the Commissioners having no more copies at their disposal, to their great regret They have, however, most liberally presented the Institute, copies of their Indexes of Patents, Abridgements of Specifications, Journals, and Index to Foreign Scientific Periodicals, as far as printed and all those that may be printed in Continuation. The Indexes and Abridgements referred to make 100 volumes The Journal is published every Tuesday and Friday, and the Index to Foreign Scientific Periodicals every Friday. The number of volumes in these two works is not stated, but must be considerable. All these works are now in Mr. Quaritch's hands for binding
Your Committee have ascertained that the Journal of the Franklin Institute, of Philadelphia, Complete to the end of 1873, may be had of the Institute for the sum of Eighty Dollars; and they would strongly recommend the purchase, as the Journal is a work of standard authority and permanent value.
Your Committee are led to believe that it would be well to add to the Library, a certain proportion of works in the German language, both for circulation, and for reference. Both the large Libraries of the city are furnished in this respect, and attract a larger number of Germans than ours now.
The resources of your reading room should be increased in this direction

Respectfully Submitted
G. Spaulding
Wm. Nelson.

The following recommendation of the Committee to purchase the Journal of the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia was adopted, and the Committee authorized to purchase the same.

Recommendation to purchase Gessman works reported back to the Committee, with power to act.

Librarians Report for the month of August received. Financial portion of same referred to Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts. Names of members approved, and the corresponding Secretary instructed to return the thanks of the Board for donations received.

Librarians Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen

I beg leave to report for the month of August as follows:

Amount received for Initiation fees		27.00	
" " " Collections		124.60	
" " from Business College acct.		250.00	
" " " J. R. Brown.		60.00	
" " " J. R. Bennett.		60.00	
" " rent of hall 29th July.		15.00	
" " " small room.		3.00	
" " " W. Hammond.		50.00	
" " " T. Dixey on a/c.		70.00	659.60
Cash on hand Aug 1st	309.00		
Collections in August	157.60		
Rents " "	508.00		968.60
Paid W. L. Davis Treasurer	798.00		
Petty Cash bills not audited.	38.95		
" " in August	80.30		
Bal on hand Sept 1st	51.35		968.60

Twenty seven new members have joined the Institute, viz:

Jacob Schmidt	Albert Kayser	Geo. E. Davis
W. W. Whitaker	M. Shannon	John Berry.
E. Conway	C. J. Prescott.	Geo. Wood.
John Easton.	G. P. Terry.	Geo Montague
J. A. Parsons.	J. H. Kitzman	J. Bondy.
Julius A. Haight.	R. Gaylord.	D. J. Ball.
Geo. T. Gaines	P. Kessler.	Geo. N. Blatchley.
Miss Emma Swan.	Jno. Fell.	W. W. Burnett.
Miss K. F. McCloyan.	H. Burnett.	C. A. Case.

There have been added to the Library by purchase One hundred and forty seven volumes classified as follows. Politics 45. (6 French) Science & Art 33 (6 German. 2 French) Biography 12 Voyages and Travels 16. (10 French) History and Drama 16 (2 French) Government 1 Philology & Classics 10 (9 Latin) History 10. Directory 1 Theology. 2. Essays 3 Law 2 Finance 5.

Donations have been received from Messrs. A. S. Hallidie J. G. Phelps. Thos. Selby and others. Package with copies Grand Reception of W. W. Hoff Esq. (distributed among members) Views J. M. Fisher Sydney Morning Herald Issue 14 19 20. 24 & 27 July 1869. Issue J. R. Healy (the author) Hispanian Native Type. Aztecs: Mexico: A Poem. By Wandering Bard.

I would recommend the adoption of porcelain globes for the gas burners in the Library rooms, in place of the clear glass globes now in use; two of the former left for trial giving a far more equable and satisfactory light. Since closing the financial portion of this Report. I have received from Capt Blythe, Fifty three Dollars on a/c of rent for the past month, and from T. Dixey, Fifty Dollars, leaving still due from him, for the month ending 25th Sept. Fifty three 50/100 Dollars.

Wm. De Lagina notifies me that the Pacific Business College will have no further use for the office, now in their occupation, on the second floor after the expiration of the present month, and he requests me to buy before the

Board his application for a reduction of rent, in consequence, he has hundred Dollars per month.

G. C. Hurlbut.
Librarian

San Francisco.
Sept 2d 1871.

The following report of the Treasurer was received, and referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen

I herewith submit the report of the Pavilion &c which was issued by Resolution of your Board July 1st 1871

Receipts

Montgomery Avenue League	Rent	30.00	
Wm Westgate	Sale &c	10.50	
Bal in Treasury as per report	June 1st	115.12	
H L Davis	Cash to balance	.38	154.00

Disbursements

Wm Westgate	Salary for May	75.00	
" "	Petty Cash	6.00	
" "	Salary for June	75.00	154.00

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

San Francisco
Aug 31st 1871

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen

Herewith I submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for Aug 1871

Receipts

Rec'd of rents		505.00	
" " Collections		290.00	
Bal in Treasury as per report for July		45.21	841.21

Disbursements

Swain	Salary, Dinner for Judges of Election		10.00
Carthing & Kimball	Printing & Book Binding		141.75
Overland Monthly	Subscription		4.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for July		175.00
G P Coleman	" " "		100.00
H Steiglitz	" " "		70.00
Bancroft & Co	Books		36.80
"	"		39.32
Olmsted & Lane	"		8.30
"	"		11.13
Wm's Co-operative Union	Printing		9.00
P G Sanchez	Custom House Commissions		3.50
P M S S Co	Freight on books		23.44
S F Water Works	Water for July		15.00
Roman & Co	Books		87.74
W E Loomis	Magazines, Papers &c		133.66
Roman & Co	Books		11.55
J Wicks & Co	Binding		34.50
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	79.80	991.45

Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $150.24

Respectfully Submitted
H. L. Davis
Treas.

San Francisco
Aug 31st 1871

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith I submit my report of the Sinking Fund for the Quarter ending August 31st 1871

Receipts

For June	156.70	
" July	101.80	
" August	79.80	
Balance to Credit of Fund May 31st 71	1364.50	1702.80

Disbursements

City & County General Taxes	1870.1871	356.40	356.40
Leaving balance to Credit of Sinking Fund			1346.40

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L Davis
Treas

San Francisco
Aug 31st 1871

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

Herewith I submit the Quarterly Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the Quarter ending Aug 31st 1871.

Receipts

For June on 5c of rent	458.00	
" " " " " collections	1053.00	1547.00
" July " " " rent	754.00	
" " " " " collection	262.00	1016.00
" August " " " rent	508.00	
" " " " " collection	290.00	798.00
Bal in Treasury May 31 1871	550.10	550.10
Total	3713.14	3713.14

Disbursements

For June	1224.12	
" July	1647.81	
" August	991.45	3863.38
	3863.38	3863.38

Leaving bal due Treasurer this date $150.24

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L Davis
Treas

San Francisco
Aug 31st 1871

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts
reported the following bills correct, and the
same were ordered paid
Ordered paid Sept 5th 1871

Dewey & Co	Scientific Press & Rural Press	8.00
Spaulding & Barto	Printing	9.00
D O'Brien & Co	Gas Pipe &c.	27.00
Bulletin	Advertising	2.50
H H Bancroft & Co.	Books	42.15
"	"	12.97
D Eicher & Co	Binding	60.00
"	"	41.50
Sumner Whitney	Supplement & Laws	8.00
J W Bryant & Co	Repairs Gas Fixtures	7.25
S F Gas Co	Gas for July	50.00
S F Water Works	Water Aug.	18.00
Bancroft & Co.	Books	2.08
"	"	28.34
Appleton & Co.	"	36.50
Carlos White	Encyclopedia	29.60
A Roman & Co	Books	56.18
"	"	19.97
"	"	12.54
Chronicle	Advertising	16.25
Morning Call	"	4.75
Francis & Valentine	Printing Tickets & Passes Supt.	75.50
Henry Bell & Co	Drugs &c.	4.25
G. C. Smallhurst	Salary Aug.	175.00
G Coleman	"	100.00
W Speight	"	70.00
J J Hall	Repairing chairs	17.00
Librarian's Petty Cash		11.00
"	"	19.45
"	"	12.00
"	"	27.95

On motion adjourned W H Williams
Sec Secty.

H H Williams

Quarterly Meeting (adjourned) of the Institute
Rooms of the Institute
September 30th 1871

Meeting called to order by Secretary Williams.

Quorum present

On motion Mr H. C. Macy acted as Chairman of the meeting.

Minutes of previous meetings read and approved as read.

Quarterly Report of the President read, received and ordered spread on the Minutes.

President's Quarterly Report

To the Members of
the Mechanics Institute

Herewith I beg leave to present my report for the Quarter ending August 31, 1871, and which has been delayed on account of the 8th Industrial Exhibition, requiring the entire time and attention of your officers.

Many valuable additions have been made to your Library since my last report and you have now on your shelves among other works the Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of Great Britain. The total number of volumes added during the quarter is 503 classified as follows, Viz:—

Science & Art	227.	Essays	18
Encyclopedias	2.	Voyages & Travels	23
History & Biography	42.	Law & Political Economy	12
Fiction	139	Wit & Humor	4
Theology	7.	Classics	10
Philology	4.	Poetry	15

There are several valuable works in Engineering especially a standard work on Bridges and Causeways on the way from Europe to your Society, and the Patent Office of Great Brittain has through our London Agent informed me that it has placed at our disposal an entire set of the Indexes of Patents, Abridgements of

Specifications, Journals etc, as far as printed and to be printed. The works so furnished are now in the hands of the Binder in London.
Although it is to be regretted that the Patent Office of Great Brittain were unable to furnish us the Reports in full, on account of being nearly out of print, the present donation and kindly consideration is very cheering.
A complete set of the Journal of the Franklin Institute has been ordered, and application has been made for a set of the Smithsonian Journals
We have so far, made a good movment in the direction of procuring the Standard Technical Works, and the Trayesactions of the Learned Societies, but it is but the commencement, our Library is yet weak in this particalay and I trust no effort will be spared to strengthen it, and to this end I would suggest to the members that they would note the absence of any work, that should be in our Library and communicate the fact by letter to the Chairman of the Committee on Books and Donations.

I trust the receipts from the Industrial Fair just closed will justify your Trustees in establishing an Educational Institution in connection with the Society, so that we will be something nearer a Mechanics' Institute, and will include some of the objects for which we are organized, beyond that of a Library of Reference and for circulation.
That a School for Design and Science may be established, for day and evening tuition as a conservator of the Arts and Sciences, this I clearly think it is our duty to do, and with the advantage of a building owned by ourselves addapted to the purpose, there would not be the difficulties to encounter if we did not possess the necessary rooms and accomodations

The financial Exhibit for the quarter ending August 31, 1871 is as follows:

Institute Account

Receipts	Rents		$1748.00	
	Dues from Members		1135.01	
	Bal in hand June 1st		330.10	
	Total Receipts			3713.11
Disbursements	Insurance		$152.25	
	Interest on Mortgage			
	Books		1383.11	
	Sundries { Petty Cash ^{s}			
	{ Books, Stationery & paper		231.50	
	Newspapers & Periodicals		326.00	
	Advertising		56.75	
	Furniture & Supplies		12.00	
	Water		36.00	
	Improvements & Repairs		59.10	
	Printing		26.00	
	Book Binding		207.25	
	Salaries		1035.00	
	Sinking Fund 10/00		338.30	
	Total Disbursements			3863.38
	Leaving balance due Treasurer			150.27

Pavilion Account

Receipts	Montgy St. Avenue League		
	Rent of Pavilion	$30.00	
	Sale of old Material	10.50	
	Balance in Treasury June 1	115.12	
	Henry L. Davis Clerk to balance	.38	$156.00
Disbursements	Wm Westgate Salary for May	$75.00	
	Do do June	75.00	
	Coal Oil, Glass & Pickets	6.00	$156.00

Sinking Fund

Receipts	10% of Revenue of Institute	$338.30	
	Balance in Treasury August	1364.50	$1702.80
Disbursements	City & County Personal Tax 1870-71	$356.40	
	Balance in Treasury Aug 31	1346.40	$1702.80

There is due for Interest on the Mortgage
8 mos. on $37,000 @ 10% per Anum $2466.64
For Gas Bills unpaid about 320.00
" Sundry Bills un addited abut 450.00
Amount of Mortgage 37000.00
Balance Due Treasurer 150.24 40.
Total Indebtedness $40,386.88

On the other hand there
is owing the Institute
Balance in Sinking Fund $1346.40
Due from Messrs Hawley & Brooks 1000.00
2346.40
Balance against the Institute Aug 31. 38040.48
40.386.88

From an examination of the Account of the
8th Industrial Fair there is probably
a balance gained of $34.000.00
The building on Union Square and it
fixtures should realize say 6.000.00
Making an estimated total of $40.000.00
which would be sufficient to pay off the total indebtedness of the Society

I think however it would be better to appropriate say $5000— for the purchase of much needed Books,
and a like amount for the establishment of a School of Design and Science, which latter should be more than self sustaining (ie. paying same rent as received for the rooms in the building now and its current Expenses) and would thus place your Society on a thorough sound basis, leaving any indebtedness of from 5000 to 10000 dollars on the property which would be paid off in 7 years by the Sinking Fund, after paying Taxes required by Law.

Signed A. S. Hallidie
President

Sept 23rd 1871

The following Ammendment to the Constitution, offered by H. H. Smith at the previous Quarterly Meeting of the Institute, was adopted

That Section 2 of Art. IX shall read as follows:

Each member who shall have complied with with Article VIII, Sections 1 and 5, at least six (6) months previous to such election and who is not delinquent shall be entitled to one vote in the election of Trustees

The following Resolution was offered and addopted.

Resolved: "That it is the sense of this meeting, that the Board of Trustees of this Society, should appropiate the monies derived from the 8th Industrial Fair toward cancelling the indebtedness of the Mechanics Institute."

A resolution offered, "that the Board of Managers be requested to pay the sum of $500, for the use of his Patent Ticket and for his services at the 8th Industrial Fair to Geo Pardy's" was declared by the Chairman to be 'out of order'

On motion adjourned

W. F. Williams
Rec. Secty.

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
October 3rd 1871.

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Roll Call, absent Messrs Scott and Sidem.

Minutes of the two previous meetings read and approved as read, with the ammendment that Mr Hanscom be marked "present" at the meeting of the Board Aug 1st 1871

Auditing Committee reported the following bill correct and the same were ordered paid:

G.C. Hulburt	Salary for September		$175.00
G.P. Coleman	Do	Do	100.00
H. Steiglitz	Do	"	70.00
Librarians' Petty Cash	Sundries		111.00
S.F. Water Works	Water for September		18.00
Plum, Bill & Co	Duster		2.00
Rosler & Braff	Repairing Benches		10.00
Conrad & Matter	Shelving & Ladders		1119.00
Blake, Rollins & Co	Stationery		8.90
S.F. Bulletin Co	Advertising		7.50
Yates, Newhoff & Co	Printing		5.00
Cubery & Co	Do		2.50
Librarians Petty Cash	Book		15.25
H.H. Key & Co	Do		33.60
Paget, Upham & Co	"		10.85
H.L. Bancroft & Co	"		37.92
Olmstead & Come	"		8.88
A. Roman & Co	"		30.93
		Total	$699.33

Librarians' Repot for the month of September received, ordered spread on the minutes, Names of new members approved, Financial portion of Report referred to the Committee on Ways, Mean and Accounts, and the Corresponding Secretary instructed to return the thanks of the Board for Donations received.

Librarians' Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to submit the following Report for the month of Septembe

Amount received for Initiation Fees		$38.00
do do	Collections of dues	780.75
" "	Rent Business College	250.00
" " "	H. Blythe 1/3 Sept	110.00
" " "	E. Bille 2 months	3.00
" " "	J.F. Sears	60.00
" " "	J. O'Donnell	60.00
" " "	D. Rising 2 months	50.00
" " "	H. Hammond	50.00
		$1431.75

Amount Cash on hand Sept 1st		$170.60	
Dues collected in Sept		818.75	
Rents " "		613.00	1602.35
Paid A.L. Davis		$1197.10	
Petty Cash Bills for Jan not audited		20.30	
do do " Sept		36.35	
Balance on hand Oct 1st 1871		28.30	$1602.35

Capt Blythe has paid nothing on account of rent for the month of September, Mr. H. Berry has to day paid sixty dollars on account, and still owes, for the month ending Oct 25th Forty eight 50/100 dollars

Thirty eight new members have joined the Institute during the Month viz:-

A.C. Dority	John J. Farrell	James H. Hewes
W.A. Jenkins	Jos. P.R. Perdman	R. Ainsworth
Louis Saar	Geo. H. Dickie	A. Clark
J. Solare	H. Leightberg	James Spence
A.C. Keller	Chas L. Hamlin	Frederick Gill
J.A. Sherburn	John Brady	G. Redgrave
E.J. Molera	P.B. Cornwall	Thos H. Smith
E.A. Cuzin	Henry E. Bennett	H. Cudell

Jas. M. Bellangee S. L. Ferera Wm. A. H. Stalker
Chas. H. Tapp Geo. H. Wright J. H. Wallis
J. J. Harding Thos. S. Hamson Geo. Harris
P. G. Donnelly E. T. Parcher H. J. H. Robinson
T. A. Ryan A. K. Kingsford.

Ninety one volumes have been added to the Library during the past month classified as follows.

Fiction 36 Theology 1 Travel 3
Philosophy & Essays 5 Law 1 Political Economy 3
Biography 2 History 4 Art & Science 4
Poetry 4 Travel & Literature 3.

Mr. J. E. Hill has presented to the Library two works on Photographic Chemistry.

I would remind the Board that there is at present, no means of heating the Reference Library so as to make it comfortable in winter.

Signed G. C. Hurlbut
San Francisco
October 2nd 1871 Librarian

Treasurer's Report for the month of September received and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

Treasurer's Report

To the President & Board of Directors
of the Mechanic's Institute
Gentlemen.

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for September 1871.

Receipts

On a/c of Rent	$613.00
" " Collections	884.40
	$1497.40

Disbursements

Amts paid		
Morning Call	Advertising	$150.00
Herald Post	do.	5.00
J. McCulloch & Co	"	10.00
Cott Jones & Co	Books	36.30
Olmstead & Cone	do.	30.75
Bancroft & Co	"	69.55
J. H. O'Brien	Water pipe, repairs etc	34.25
D. J. Hall	Bottoming Chairs	7.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Aug.	175.00
J. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
H. Steiglitz	" " "	70.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash	70.40
H. S. Hess	Advertising	37.50
Carlos White	Encyclopedia	29.60
Hum. Bell & Co	Laying Carpet	41.25
Roman & Co	Books	88.20
Dewey & Co	Vol. Scientific Press	8.00
Spalding & Bart	Printing	9.00
A. Sticks & Co	Binding	101.30
Morning Call	Advertising	4.75
Hall & Co	Safe for Library	15.00
Franklin Institute	Institute Journal	80.50
John Rapp & Co	Stationery	4.50
Francis & Valentine	Printing	35.50
Sumner Whitney	Law Book	8.00
Bulletin	Advertising	2.50
Chronicle	do.	16.25
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	1149.74
Balance due Treasurer as per Report for Aug		40.21
		1431.10
Balance in Treasury this date		76.30

San Francisco
October 2nd 1871

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

Building Committee authorized to contract with the San Francisco Gas Company to furnish gas to the Institute Building for the years 1871 and 1872 at the rate of $3.50 per M. ft.

On motion adjourned

L. H. Williams
Rec. Sec'y.

Special Meeting of the Mechanics' Institute
Hall of the Institute
October 11th 1871—

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair

Present a Quorum

The President stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of taking action on the Preamble and Resolution adopted by the Board donating the sum of One thousand dollars for the relief of the sufferers of the great fire of Chicago—

The preamble and resolution passed by the Board of Managers of the 8th Industrial Exhibition donating the sum of One thousand dollars to the Chicago sufferers was read and approved——

The meeting was notified of the death of Mr John Sime a member of long standing of the Institute and served as President for three terms—

The following Preamble and Resolutions of respect were read and unanimously adopted

Whereas, by the decree of Almighty God, death has removed from our midst one of the earliest officers of this Society, who was its first Vice-President and three times its President, under whose administration the Mechanics' Institute held its first Industrial Fair, and who has always been its consistent friend;
Therefor:
Resolved, That by the death of John Sime, the Mechanics' Institute has lost one of its earliest and steadfast friends, who, serving the Society three times as President, was efficient and faithful as an officer; and as a member— whose membership dates from the organization of the Institute to the day of his death – was ever ready to assist it by his means and personal effort.
Resolved, That the Flag over the Society's Building be placed at half mast and the entrance be appropriately draped for the period of ten days.
Resolved, That the Mechanics' Institute extends its tenderest sympathy to the family of the lamented

deceased, that a copy of these Resolutions be forwarded by the Corresponding Secretary to the Widow, properly engrossed, and that Resolutions be spread on the Minutes of the Society—

The Secretary was instructed to invite the Members of the Institute to attend in a body the funeral of the late John Sime——

On Motion adjourned

H. H. Williams
Rec Sec.

Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
October 17th 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair —

Roll call, absent Hanscom, Aldem and Scott.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read —

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported agreement with San Francisco Gas Company, the same was received and adopted with the modification, "That the agreement shall be holding so far as the Mechanics Institute has control —

On motion it was ordered that all expiring Insurance on the Mechanics' Institute Building shall be divided among the three most reliable and responsible Insurance Companies —

Auditing Committee reported the following bill correct and the same was ordered paid —

San Francisco Gas Co.	Gas from Jany 1st to Oct 1st 1871	$378.35
Denny & Co	2 File holders	3.00
Spring Valley Water Co	Water to Nov 1st 1871	18.00
		$399.35

On motion adjourned

H. H. Williams
Rec. Secty

Appendix —

The following Reports of the Treasurer and Librarian were read at the meeting held October 17th 1871 and acted upon —

Librarian's Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I beg leave to submit the following Report for the month of September.

Amount received for	Initiation Fees	$38.00
Do Do	Collections of dues	780.75
" " "	Rent from Business College	250.00
" " "	" " H. Blythe to Sept 1st	110.00
" " "	" " E. Bell, small room one night	3.00
" " "	" " J. D. Snow	60.00
" " "	" " J. O'Donnell	60.00
" " "	" " E. Dery on Act	50.00
" " "	" " H. Hammond	50.00
		$1131.75

Amount Cash on hand Sept 1st		$170.60
" Dues collected in Sept.		88.75
" Rents " " "		613.00 $1602.35
Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer		$1197.40
" Petty Cash bills for Sept not audited		20.30
" " " " Sept.		56.35
Balance on hand Oct 1st 1871		28.30 $1602.35

Capt. Blythe has paid nothing on account of rent for the month of September. H. P. Dixey has to day paid Sixty Dollars on account and still owes for the month ending Oct 25th Forty Eight 50/100 Dollars —

Thirty eight new members have joined the Institute

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
November 7th 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent Messrs Brunner, Williams and Scott.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Building Committee reported having rented the basement for $12 per month.

Committee on Books and Donations recommended the appropriation of $500 or $2000 for the purpose of purchasing new books, Magazines etc. The matter was laid over until next meeting.

Librarian's Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute
Gentlemen

I beg leave to report for the Month of October, as follows:

Amount received for Initiation Fees		$25.00
" " Dues		211.60
" " from Pacific Business College		350.00
" " J. P. Sims		60.00
" " J. O'Donnell		60.00
" " T. Dove on a/c		60.00
" " H. Blythe		110.00
" " Do on a/c		82.00
" " E. C. Bells		3.00
" " W. Hammond		50.00
		$891.60

Cash on hand Oct 1st		$104.95
Collections in October		236.60
Rents collected		655.00
		$996.55

Paid H. L. Harris	$803.15	
Bill a/c Bd of Education P. C.	23.50	
Petty Cash in October	41.45	
Balance on hand Nov 1st	128.45	$996.55

Capt Blythe paid on the 2d November, One hundred & five 00/100 Dollars in full to the 1st, Mr Dove has this day paid Thirty dollars on account, leaving still due for the month ending Nov 25th Seventy three 00/100 Dollars. I am informed that the bill against the Board of Education will be paid on the 10th inst.

Twenty five new members have joined the Institute viz:—

Theodore Simons	A. Anderson	J. H. Jones
Benj. Dow	Albert Jacobs	Mrs. P. B. Shannon
R. H. Galpin	H. H. Cleveland	J. B. Dow
J. S. Carter	Henry Harden	J. C. Kernan
A. Singmaster	Chas. P. Healy	J. P. Gilfillan
L. Vk. Pfister	H. M. Morgan	Josie M. Adams
W. Landaker	M. J. Garfield	P. H. Anderson
Chas. E. Hinckley		

There have been added to the Library Sixty three volumes classified as follows:
Fiction 441, Wit & Humor 2, Theology 1, Travel 3, Philosophy & Essay 11, Political Economy 2, Biography 11, History 13, Science & Art 5, Poetry 8

Donations have been received from

L. Czyniecky, Geneva, Switzerland
Du Développment des idées revolutionnaires en Russie
Essai sur la Situation Russe
Hon. E. Cassedy
Report of Land Office 1869.
Francis Valentine
Bound Volume Post Gazette 1871

It will be requisite to provide some means of heating the Reference Library, as it begins to be uncomfortable at this late season. I think it really necessary to make up an order for books, to be sent to the Eastern as soon as may be. There is considerable enquiring just now for works on Hydrology, and besides these, the Library should be furnished as speedily as possible with the best works on the Suez Canal and the Mont Cenis Tunnel. Works on Japan & China are also needed.

S. F. Nov 6th 1871 — G. C. Hurlbut Librarian

Librarian's Report received, names of new members approved, and the financial portion of Report referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, and the Corresponding Secretary instructed to return the thanks of the Board for donations received—

Treasurer's Report

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts & Disbursements for October 1871

Receipts—

On a/c of Rents	$655.00	
" " Collections	118.15	
Balance in the Treasury as per Report for Sept.	76.30	$879.45

Disbursements

F. Hess & Co	Advertising	$6.00
A. Roman & Co	Books	30.93
Plum, Bell & Co	Duetz	2.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Sept	175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
H. Steiglitz	" " "	70.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash	29.25
S. F. Bulletin	Advertising	7.50
Bancroft & Co	Books	37.92
H. H. Key	"	33.60
Olmstead & Cone	"	8.88
Conrad & Mattes	Shelving & Ladders	149.00
S. F. Water Co	Water for Sept.	18.00
W. H. Payson	Subscription & Bulletin	22.50
Waters, Newhoff & Co	Printing	5.00
Blake, Robbins & Co	Paper etc.	8.90
Carver Alta California	Subscription to Oct 1	11.70
Cubery & Co	Printing	2.50
Sage & Upham & Co	Books	10.85
Kohler & Broff	Repairing Benches	10.00
Sinking Fund 10 p.c. receipts		80.31 $819.84
Leaving balance in Treasury this date		$59.61

S. F. Oct 31/1871 Henry L. Davis

Rec'd rep'd & Com Ways Means & Accounts

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct, and the same were ordered paid

A Roman & Co	Books	$67.90
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Oct.	80.50
H. C. Symmes	Papers & Magazines	155.69
S. A. Smith	Gas Fitting	2.50
Thos. Day	Globes & Burners	46.00
Chas. H. Gordon	Printing	6.00
Olmstead & Cone	Books	22.95
S. F. Bulletin Co	Advertising	2.00
S. F. Chronicle	Do	1.50
Underwriters Agency	Insurance	56.75
Royal Insurance Co	Do	113.50
North British Ins. Co	"	56.75
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Oct.	175.00
G. P. Coleman	Do	100.00
H. Steiglitz	"	70.00
D. Hick	Binding	62.50
H. H. Bancroft & Co	Books	73.45
Librarian's Petty Cash	Sundries	40.20
		1133.69

Communication from Librarian received enclosing Subpoena from Court, requiring certain books to be brought into Court. On motion, the Librarian was instructed to comply with the summons—

On motion adjourned

H. H. Jones
Secretary Pro Tem

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Room of the Institute
November 21st 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair

Absent Messrs Brunner, Hanscom, Kerr, Nelson, Wilcox —

Reading minutes of previous meeting dispensed with.

Building Committee reported in favor of making arrangements with Capt Blythe for the use of Gas in the Supper Room for the accomodation of E.O. Belle - Referred back to Building Committee with power.

Action of the President in tendering the free use of the Institute Hall to the University of California for the purpose of giving a course of Lectures - Approved -

On motion adjourned

W. H. Williams
Rec. Sec'y.

Special Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
December 29th 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair -

Absent, Messrs Williams, Nelson and Scott

The following Report from the Board of Managers of the 8th Industrial Exhibition was read, received and ordered spread on the Minutes and the Board of Managers discharged: -

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

EIGHTH INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION

OF THE

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE, 1871.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute:

GENTLEMEN—

The Eighth Industrial Exhibition of the Mechanics' Institute having been brought to a successful termination, the Board of Managers thereof present their report.

In accordance with the original announcement, the Exhibition was opened to the public on Tuesday, 8th August, 1871, at 11 A.M.—the dedicatory address being delivered by the Hon. Milton S. Latham.

The building had been materially enlarged, and, in order to accommodate the various exhibitors, it was found necessary to extend the building to the limit of the available ground area—thus covering Union Square, with the exception of about 30 feet on Stockton street, and being 375 feet by 382 feet on the ground floor.

Arrangements had been entered into with the Bay District Horticultural Society, for that Society to hold its first Flower-show in a building to be erected by the Managers, who agreed to pay it the sum of $1,000 towards the expenses connected therewith, and to supply the building with gas and water free of charge, thus relieving the Managers of the Horticultural Department, and giving an opportunity for this young Society to present itself to the public.

The Horticultural Exhibition occupied a space on the south side of the building 45 by 380 feet, and was an agreeable feature in the Fair, being a source of attraction and a credit to the Bay District Horticultural Society.

Subsequently, finding that their expenses ran ahead of their receipts, the Managers donated one day's receipts, which amounted to $1,205.

The preceding Board of Managers had been exceedingly diligent and judicious in its preparations for this Exhibition, and nearly all the preliminary work fell on their shoulders; and they, with an eye singular for the needs of this Exhibition, the best interests of the Mechanics' Institute, and the developments of the commerce of this State, had anticipated all the needful details in that connection.

Circulars had been sent to every available point; and particularly to that progressive and developing nation, Japan were inducements offered.

A gentleman long connected with your Society, (Mr. Horace D. Dunn), whose business was about to take him to Japan, and probably to China, offered to take charge of the interest of the Industrial Exhibition and represent

it there while he remained; and arrangements were made between him and the preceding Board to that effect, the remuneration being $300, as suggested by him. The mission was successful, and the Japanese Government sent several Commissioners to visit the Industrial Exhibition and the United States, and report thereon. This result, although perhaps of no pecuniary advantage to the Industrial Exhibition, has, we believe, been of immeasurable benefit to the people of the United States, and more particularly of California.

The gentlemen who composed the Commission from Japan—being liberal, appreciative and courteous, keen observers, quick to comprehend, free from offensive conceit, highly educated absorbents of our best ideas—found meat for their appetite which seemed suited to their digestion. And we believe that your Society may justly claim the honor of developing these friendly offices, which will undoubtedly cement good feeling between the two nations and result in a healthy commerce.

To the U. S. Minister to Japan, Hon. Chas. De Long, we are under deep obligations for his friendly aid, as well as to the Consul of Japan, Chas. Wolcott Brooks, Esq., both of whom have been unremitting in their efforts to bring about these good results.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company liberally brought over all freight destined for the Exhibition free, and reduced the first cabin fare one-half, in order to enable the Japanese to visit the Exhibition.

The Managers caused to be erected a room 205 feet by 21 feet, for the Japanese Exhibit. This room was specially fitted up with show-cases, etc., and was in charge of a special force to protect the interest of the United States Government (the goods being in bond) and all concerned.

The Expenditures in this department reached nearly $3,600, and the Exhibition was at once unique and attractive.

The preceding Board had offered various sums, varying from $50 to $400, payable in cash, for reports on matters of great public interest, a catalogue of which has already been laid before you. Of the reports submitted, the following were awarded premiums:

"On the Manufacturing Interest of California, its Present Condition and Future Prospects," by Wm. Gouverneur Morris and H. C. Bennett.

"For the Best Method of Cultivating and Clearing Tule Lands," by A. J. Bigelow.

"Best System for Economical Transportation of Ores, Minerals and Goods, over Mountainous Places and Difficult Roads," by David R. Smith.

"Best and Most Successful Attempt to Raise Merchantable Cotton in the State of California, with report on same," by Solomon W. Jewett.

"On Insect Wax, China Grass, Tallow Tree, &c.," by Dr. Macgowan, of China.

To the foregoing reports, published in full in the general report of the Exhibition, we beg to draw your attention.

Inducements were held to the pupils of the Public Schools to exhibit samples of drawing, and the response was quite large and flattering to the pupils. About five hundred drawings were exhibited, and the juvenile authors drew many well-deserved premiums for their efforts.

The Public Evening Drawing Schools were offered liberal prizes, and the award of the various premiums to these schools has, it is believed, given a healthy impetus to the study of architectural and mechanical drawing, and kindred subjects.

Some time previous to the opening of the Exhibition the Board placed at the disposal of the various charitable associations, fitted up and free of all charge, space in the gallery for the purpose of enabling them to sell fancy articles and raise funds in aid of their several charities, and in lieu of the days usually set apart for their benefit. Only two—viz., St. Alban's Church and the Seamen's Friend Association—accepted, both of which realized a fair return for their trouble and time.

During the whole term of the Fair there was nothing to lessen the interest felt. In view of the great financial depression and the fact of the general and gubernatorial election coming off during the continuance of the Fair, the Board looked for a serious falling off in the attendance, and consequently in

the financial result. This expectation was not realized; the attendance was remarkably good. An exact count having been taken on Saturday, Aug. 19th,—11 days after opening—it was found that 21,756 persons passed in the building during that day; and as it may be a matter of interest to know the number, at different intervals of time, there were

2,500	from	10	to 12 M.
3,000	from	12	to 2 P. M.
5,800	from	2	to 4 P. M.
800	from	4	to 5:30 P. M.
8,756	from	7	to 9 P. M.
900	from	9	to 10 P. M.

The number of exhibitors far exceeded that of any previous Exhibition, and the character of the exhibits was more varied, and showed a marked advance in the industries of the City especially. The relative number of exhibitors at the past Fairs were as follows:

Years	1857.	1858.	1864.	1865.	1868.	1869.	1871.
Exhibitors	650	575	717	585	748	826	1,020

From the foregoing table, it will be seen that the last Exhibition by far exceeded in extent any previous one, and consequently greater provision had to be made for the accommodation of exhibitors, entailing necessarily considerable outlay beyond what was originally intended, but at same time showing a result in the high character of the Exhibition equally beyond anticipation, and exceedingly gratifying to those who have the best interest of the State at heart.

The building was opened to the public on the 8th of August and remained open until Saturday, September 9th, being 29 days in all. The total receipts were $62,846, and total expenditures $30,991 91, leaving a net gain during the season of $31,854 09. The financial statement will be seen in detail by referring to the Treasurer's Report, herewith appended.

In the matter of awarding premiums, the Managers are of the opinion that the true policy is for the Society to award no premiums of any kind. Let the verdict of the public stand as final judgment. Exhibitors place their articles on exhibition for the purpose of submitting them to the public for its judgment, and it very seldom errs. The leading Societies of the older States, among which are the American Institute and the Maryland Institute, are finding this to be the true policy, and more in accordance with the spirit of the age. The utmost the Managers would recommend to their successors would be to appoint Committees of examination only on request of a worthy exhibit, a copy of their report to be presented to the exhibitor.

The Managers suggest that some means be taken to obtain a permanent Exhibition Building; but they would not advise impairing the pecuniary status of the Society or its property. This should be held sacred. Too much hard work has been done, too many anxious days and years spent in trying to clear off the incubus of a debt, to ever think of involving the Society in any further pecuniary liability.

It will therefore necessarily be some years before you can hold another Industrial Exhibition. Meantime, many of your tried officers can be relieved of anxiety as to the immediate wants of the Society, and can gain strength for your next great victory, which will ever be in the cause of progress and public good, going forth like a young giant with unsullied honor and untarnished fame.

The Pavilion, in which so many pleasant days have been spent by the people of San Francisco, is a thing of the past; it has done much good during its day. Its doors were always open without charge to aid benevolences and charities.

The sale of the building and fixtures realized about $6,800.

The Managers have appropriated in all, during the past term, $20,438 16 *directly* to creditors of the Mechanics' Institute in liquidation of its debts. This was found necessary, as, under the Constitution, 10 per cent. of the total receipts by the Institute were required to be set aside in the sinking fund.

We now beg to draw your attention to the Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements, in detail, from all sources:

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE,
SAN FRANCISCO, November 29, 1871.

To the President and Board of Managers of the Eighth Industrial Exhibition, 1871.

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit my report of the receipts and disbursements on account of the Eighth Industrial Exhibition, 1871. Also a Ticket Report, showing each class and by whom sold.

In addition to the amount of disbursements there will be bills payable for compiling and printing the Reports of the Exhibition, for restoring Union Square to the condition in which the Board of Managers received it, and miscellaneous, estimated from $1,200 to $1,500.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY L. DAVIS, Treasurer.

EIGHTH INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

DAILY RECEIPTS AT THE DOOR.

1871.	DOUBLE SEASON TICKETS.	SINGLE SEASON TICKETS.	CHILD'N'S SEASON TICKETS.	ADULT SINGLE TICKETS	CHILDREN'S SINGLE TICKETS.	TOTAL.
August 8	946	300	157	584	51	$6,170 25
" 9	491	142	91	640	67	3,354 25
" 10	455	160	88	805	94	3,313 00
" 11	376	105	72	912	97	2,783 25
" 12	554	151	87	2,269	501	4,613 25
" 14	300	115	49	1,509	132	2,706 00
" 15	211	49	24	1,900	204	2,239 00
" 16	138	54	15	1,825	175	1,830 75
" 17	125	31	22	2,087	466	1,836 00
" 18	78	22	10	1,619	144	1,316 50
" 19	105	26	19	3,443	1,017	2,507 25
" 21	54	11	11	1,704	145	1,207 75
" 22	40	2	4	1,791	128	1,139 50
" 23	30	10	2	1,773	152	1,107 50
" 24	24	7	....	1,992	184	1,183 00
" 25	21	6	....	1,702	171	1,016 75
" 26	13	5	5	3,167	863	1,886 75
" 28	9	8	3	1,660	170	946 00
" 29	5	3	1	1,336	137	737 75
" 30	7	....	....	1,601	155	874 25
" 31	2	2	1	1,459	142	782 50
September 1	2	2	1	1,280	123	688 25
" 2	2	....	1	2,140	570	1,224 00
" 4	1	1	....	1,045	89	552 75
" 5	....	....	....	1,137	132	601 50
" 6	....	1	....	1,149	110	605 00
" 7	....	....	....	1,723	196	910 50
" 8	....	....	....	1,923	257	1,025 75
" 9	....	....	....	3,034	550	1,654 50
TOTALS	3,989	1,213	663	49,209	6,922	$50,913 50

ACCOUNT OF TICKETS SOLD, AND BY WHOM.

NAMES.	DOUBLE SEASON.	SINGLE SEASON.	CHILD'N'S SEASON.	ADULT SINGLE.	CHILD'N'S SINGLE.	AMOUNT.
J. G. Goldsmith, Cl'k	3,989	1,213	663	49,209	6,922	$50,913 50
G. C. Hurlbut	201	55	32	....	....	1,218 00
G. P. Coleman	109	11	....	....	....	533 00
A. S. Hallidie	12	4	....	....	....	72 00
B. P. Brunner	8	5	....	....	....	55 00
H. L. Davis	19	7	6	....	....	125 00
W. H. Williams	78	25	....	....	....	468 00
H. W. Jones	25	9	....	....	....	152 00
Charles E. Hopps	69	7	....	....	....	366 00
George Spaulding	45	14	....	....	....	267 00
J. Martenstein	37	6	....	....	....	203 00
J. O. Hanscom	30	2	....	....	....	156 00
Irving M. Scott	22	6	....	....	....	128 00
C. F. Bassett	19	3	....	....	....	104 00
Thomas Nelson	17	6	....	....	....	103 00
David Kerr	13	2	....	....	....	71 00
J. R. Wilcox	12	2	....	....	....	66 00
Charles S. Eaton	43	11	....	....	....	248 00
Jacob Browning	38	..	....	....	....	190 00
Sherman & Hyde	32	11	....	....	....	193 00
A. Roman & Co.	32	8	....	....	....	184 00
Olmstead & Cone	20	4	....	....	....	112 00
D. R. Coleman	17	8	....	....	....	109 00
Kohler, Chase & Co.	13	6	....	....	....	83 00
Painter & Calvert	13	3	....	....	....	74 00
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	11	4	....	....	....	67 00
Snow & Roos	12	..	....	....	....	60 00
M. Gray	4	5	....	....	....	35 00
H. Bruns, Currency	154	31	....	....	....	863 00
W. T. Reilly "	88	11	3	....	....	477 50
W. J. Dougherty "	43	7	....	....	....	236 00
Commutat'n, schools, etc.	....	....	....	....	....	151 75
TOTALS	5,216	1,487	704	49,209	6,922	$58,083 75

RECAPITULATION OF TICKET ACCOUNT.

Double Season Tickets	5,216	$26,080 00
Single Season Tickets	1,487	4,461 00
Children's Season Tickets	704	1,056 00
Adult Single Admission Tickets	49,209	24,604 50
Children's Single Admission Tickets	6,921	1,730 50
Commutation, Schools, etc	....	151 75
TOTAL		$58,083 75

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

FITTING AND DECORATING BUILDING.

MATERIAL—Paid to Committee on Papal Celebration, for Lumber	$75 00	
M. Grossman, Glass, etc.	47 25	
D. A. Macdonald & Co., Lumber	365 04	
Hanson, Ackerson & Co., Lumber	1,235 22	
Heyneman & Co., Canvas	490 03	
Neville & Co., Sewing-canvas	63 00	
		$2,275 54
IMPROVEMENTS— S. N. Grubb, Gas and Water fixtures	$981 64	
Conlin & Roberts, fixing fountains	74 45	
Conroy & O'Connor, Hose, etc.	257 31	
W. T. Garratt & Co., Brass-work	187 62	
J. M. Eckfeldt, Wire Screens	12 13	
Blyth & Son, Battens	1 20	
J. B. O'Brien & Co., Glass Globes	2 00	
Plum, Bell & Co., Matting and Shades	235 39	
Will & Finck, Locks, etc.	14 35	
Hinckley & Co., Ironwork	345 02	
G. W. Guion, Hardware	6 15	
		2,157 26
DECORATIONS—A. Crawford & Co., Bunting	$244 08	
L. and M. Sachs & Co., Cambric	46 64	
Murphy, Grant & Co., Cambric	52 31	
Jennings & Garfield, Whitening Walls	85 00	
R. T. Brown, Whitewashing	40 00	
Hopps & Sons, Painting	176 95	
E. K. Howes & Co., Flags, etc.	75 45	
L. B. Myers, Use of Fountains	175 00	
Decorating Committee, expense to Vallejo	34 50	
Plum, Bell & Co., Binding	6 00	
		935 93

RUNNING EXPENSES.

EXPENSE—A. L. Bancroft & Co., Wrapping Paper	$8 60	
D. Hicks, Entry Books	5 00	
G. C. Hurlburt, Sundries	287 02	
W. Westgate, "	66 38	
E. K. Howes & Co., Brooms, Pails, etc.	90 53	
La Grande Laundry, Washing	15 00	
S. A. Sanderson, Spittoons	12 00	
A. L. Fish, Tube Scraper	3 00	
Conroy & O'Connor, Oils, etc.	45 69	
Marsh, Pilsbury & Co., Soapstone	9 00	
F. B. Taylor & Co., Oils, etc.	22 85	
Goddard & Co., Wire Cloth, etc.	61 98	
Screw Bolt Company, Bolts	1 50	
J. Stott, Fitting Keys	7 25	
California Mills, Trays	9 00	
G. M. Josselyn & Co., Line	7 20	
City Paving Company, Gravel	2 50	
F. Sensupray, Sawdust	7 00	
W. Fleisher, Police Caps	14 00	
H. G. Langley, Directory	5 00	
Arnes & Dallam, Pails, etc.	6 50	
CARRIED FORWARD	$617 00	$5,368 73

BROUGHT FORWARD	$617 00	$5,368 73
EXPENSE—(CONTINUED.)		
Church & Clark, Giant Crackers	6 00	
Norcross & Co., Letters	65	
B. Pasquale, repairing Flags	23 00	
J. H. Gilmore, Sundries	40 60	
Will & Finck, Loan of Gongs	85 00	
R. Gallardo, Sundries	3 00	
W. K. Vanderslice, Badges	56 00	
C. P. Van Schaack, Combs & Brushes	2 10	
Roester & Proff, repairing Chairs	5 00	
E. P. White, Washing	20 00	
F. Natz, Painting Signs	80 00	
J. Churchward, Buggy Hire	37 50	
Gas Company, making street connections	74 50	
Currier & Winter, Glass in Picture Frames	3 60	
I. Landsberger, Wines for Committees	14 25	
Chas. Otto, Stamps & Pads	5 00	
G. W. Clark, representation of Gold Yield	24 00	
D. Robinson & Son, Hire of Goldfish	12 50	
J. M. Miller, Hire of Show-cases	130 00	
Pool & Harris, Wharfage, etc	30 00	
F. H. Rosenbaum, Hire of Glass	88 60	
J. H. Culver, Sundries	10 70	
Donation to Policemen	60 00	
Newspaper Subscription	1 85	
W. H. Williams, Sundries	1 50	
Goodwin & Co., Hire of Desks, etc.	48 00	
A. S. Perley, Watering Streets	125 00	
M. Grossman, Broken Glass in show-cases	23 50	
J. R. Wilcox, Sundries	25 25	
F. A. Hatch, Cheese, Ham, etc	14 40	
Goddard & Co., Engine Hire	175 00	
H. L. Davis, Petty Cash Items	21 00	
A. S. Hallidie, " " "	35 85	
		1,909 35
LABOR, ETC.—Police, Watchmen, Messengers, Engineers, and Laborers, as per Pay Rolls		7,542 57
SALARIES—Paid Clerks, Canvassers and Agents, including expenses of H. D. Dunn to Japan		3,560 74
GAS—S. F. Gas Company, for Gas		1,773 61
WATER—S. F. Water Works Company, for Water		500 00
MUSIC—Schmidt and Schlott's Band		2,059 17
FUEL—Black Diamond Coal Co., for Coal		358 90
DRAYAGES—Paid Sundry Parties, for Drayages		133 75
PRINTING—Frank Eastman	$49 75	
J. M. Crane & Co	134 00	
C. W. Gordon	21 75	
Cubery & Co	126 85	
E. Bosqui & Co	85 25	
B. F. Conger	1 50	
Spaulding & Barto	129 50	
G. F. Brown & Co	96 50	
B. F. Sterett	15 00	
Waters, Newhoff & Co	31 00	
Mahon, Rapp, Thomas & Co	10 00	
Francis & Valentine	197 50	
Bacon & Co	8 20	
Women's Co-operative Union	21 50	
		858 30
CARRIED FORWARD		$24,056 12

Brought forward		$24,056 12
Stationery—Amerman & Howell	$4 80	
A. L. Bancroft & Co	29 46	
Blake, Robbins & Co	10 55	
Gluyas & Dutton	30 22	
Olmsted & Cone	7 18	
		82 41

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Advertising—F. McCrellish & Co	$288 50	
San Francisco Bulletin Company	236 75	
San Francisco Chronicle	125 50	
F. Hess & Co	29 00	
Keyt & Co	216 65	
W. S. Moss & Co	125 00	
Golden City	10 00	
Figaro	35 00	
Overland Monthly	20 00	
Sontags Gast	5 00	
La Voce del Popolo	4 00	
E. Andrade & Co	10 00	
La Vox del Nuevo Mundo	10 00	
La Sociedad	5 00	
The Pioneer	8 00	
The Spectator	10 00	
Police Gazette	10 00	
Monitor	10 00	
Federico Biesta	10 00	
Pacific	10 00	
Hebrew Observer	12 00	
L. Aibischer	4 00	
Courrier de San Francisco	20 00	
Commercial Herald and Market Review	8 00	
Abend Post	29 00	
Bean & Co	20 00	
L. P. Fisher, in Pacific Coast Papers	668 00	
Pacific Appeal	4 00	
California Farmer	20 00	
Evangel	5 00	
Evening Journal	10 00	
Dewey & Co	71 00	
Alaska Herald	5 00	
The Hebrew	12 00	
New Age	16 00	
News Letter	30 00	
Daily Morning Call	193 50	
W. B. Lake	8 00	
Masonic Publishing Company	5 00	
Golden Era	10 00	
Plebeian Publishing Company	10 00	
Irish News	10 00	
Elevator	3 00	
		2,351 90
Discount—On Currency and Silver and Interest		294 10
Insurance—Royal Insurance Company	$33 93	
Home Mutual Insurance Company	160 25	
Pacific Insurance Company	30 75	
Ætna Insurance Company	13 90	
People's Insurance Company	92 55	
California Insurance Company	26 50	
		357 88
Carried forward		$27,142 41

Brought forward		$27,142 41
Premiums—Hubash & Kutz, Gold and Silver Medals	$850 38	
E. A. Vining, Engraving Medals	173 00	
A. H. Lochbaum & Co., Medal Boxes	74 25	
Britton & Rey, Engraving and Printing Diplomas	483 50	
F. Seregni, Engrossing Diplomas	98 70	
F. J. Butler, " "	28 00	
D. J. Macgowan, Essay	200 00	
H. C. Bennett, "	400 00	
D. R. Smith, "	100 00	
A. J. Bigelow, "	100 00	
S. W. Jewett, "	100 00	
Charles G. Ewing, in part for Drawing Instruments, balance contributed by B. P. Brunner	36 67	
		2,644 50
Cash voted Bay District Horticultural Society	$1,000 00	
Benefit Bay District Horticultural Society	205 00	
		1,205 00
Total		$30,991 91

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Sale of Tickets	$58,083 75	
Privileges	2,742 50	
Sundry Gas Bills from Exhibitors	310 00	
Sundry Advertising Bills, Sale of Pavilion	181 00	
" " " Ball	28 75	
		$61,346 00
From State of California, for Premiums		1,500 00
Total		$62,846 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Material	$2,275 54	
Improvements	2,157 26	
Decorations	935 93	
Advertising	2,351 90	
Expense	1,990 35	
Labor	7,542 57	
Salaries	3,560 74	
Gas	1,773 61	
Water	500 09	
Music	2,059 17	
Fuel	358 90	
Drayage	133 75	
Printing	858 30	
Stationery	82 41	
Interest and Discount	294 10	
Insurance	357 88	
Premiums	2,644 50	
Bay District Horticultural Society	1,205 00	
		$30,991 91
Net Gain		$31,854 09
Less the amounts to be paid for Compiling and Printing the Reports, restoring Union Square and miscellaneous, estimated from $1,200 to $1,500		
Carried forward		$31,854 09

Brought forward		$31,854 09
From the above balance of $31,854 09 has been paid for account of Mechanics' Institute, the following amounts:		
Union Insurance Co., on acc't of Note and Mortgage	$17,000 00	
Union Insurance Company, on acc't of Interest	3,059 81	
San Francisco Gas Company, on account of Gas	378 35	
		20,438 16
Leaving balance and transfered to Pavilion Fund of		$11,415 93

The amount of $5,959 19 is not strictly chargeable to the Fair Expenses, but should be charged to the Japanese and Horticultural Departments, as follows:

JAPANESE DEPARTMENT.

For Printing	$29 00	
For Salaries	450 00	
For Decorations	122 34	
For Expenses	123 85	
For Material	976 00	
For Gas	150 00	
For Labor	872 00	
For Insurance	225 00	
For Advertising	25 00	
		$2,973 19

HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

For Appropriation	$1,000 00	
For Benefit	205 00	
For Decorations	17 00	
For Water	75 00	
For Material	627 00	
For Labor	525 00	
For Insurance	37 00	
For Advertising	200 00	
For Gas	300 00	
		2,986 00
		$5,959 19

CARNIVAL BALL.

To the President and Board of Managers of the Eighth Industrial Exhibition:

Gentlemen: I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements on account of the Carnival Ball:

RECEIPTS.

Amount received for Sale of Tickets	$3,805 50	
For Supper privilege	450 50	
For Mask privilege	10 00	
For Costume privilege	8 50	
For Flower privilege	4 00	
For Soda privilege	25 00	
For Hat-room	65 25	
	$4,368 25	
Carried forward		$4,368 25

Brought forward		$4,368 25

DISBURSEMENTS.

Amount paid for Labor, Construction and Employees	$919 93	
For Decorations	142 10	
For Printing and Advertising	792 05	
For Music	272 00	
For Gas	144 20	
For Loan of Chairs, Lumber, etc	209 39	
For Salary of Ticket Clerk	105 00	
For Prizes	300 00	
For A. A. Hickox Testimonial	25 00	
For Sundries	105 85	
		3,015 52
Leaving balance in Treasury this date, and transferred to Pavilion Fund		$1,352 73

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY L. DAVIS, Treasurer.

San Francisco, November 29, 1871.

PAVILION ACCOUNT.

To the President and Board of Managers of Eighth Industrial Exhibition:

Gentlemen: Herewith I submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements on account of the Mechanics' Pavilion:

RECEIPTS.

From Sale of Boiler and Fixtures	$1,950 00	
Sale of 1,860 lbs Shafting @ 7 cts	130 20	
Sale of 2,420 lbs Shafting @ 8 cts	193 60	
Sale of Building, on account	1,180 00	
Sale of Chairs, Balls, etc	370 43	
W. N. Hawley, Rent of Pavilion	750 00	
Eighth Industrial Fair, balance transferred	11,415 93	
Carnival Ball, balance transferred	1,352 73	
Total		$17,342 89

DISBURSEMENTS.

Amount paid for Chicago Relief Fund	$1,000 00	
Eighth Industrial Fair, Advertising Bills	181 00	
		1,181 00
Leaving balance in Treasury this date		$16,161 89

San Francisco, November 27, 1871.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY L. DAVIS, Treasurer.

There is still due from H. P. Herrick, on account of purchase of Pavilion	$1,330 00	
From J. K. Prior, on Purchase of Pipe	1,105 00	
And from Shafting unsold, estimated	500 00	
Total	$2,935 00	

16 REPORT OF THE EIGHTH INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

From the foregoing, it will be seen that there have been appropriated to creditors of the Mechanics' Institute in all $20,438 16, leaving the balances on hand and due of $19,096 85 now transferred to the Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute and credited to the Pavilion Fund.

The Board of Managers desire to express its deep sense of obligation to Commodore Parrott and officers of the U. S. Naval Department, Mare Island, and to Capt. Seammon, steamer *Wyanda*, for the use of flags used in decorations; to the State and City officials for aid and courtesy; to Wells, Fargo & Co., the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, the Central Pacific Railroad Company; to Messrs. Pool and Harris; to Jonathan Kittredge; to the Officers of the various departments of the U. S. Service, and to the Press of this City, ever foremost in the cause of progress—all of whom so heartily co-operated with your officers in the work of the Industrial Exhibition.

In conclusion, the Board of Managers having completed the work for which it was organized, now ask to be discharged.

A. S. HALLIDIE, B. P. BRUNNER, HENRY L. DAVIS, W. H. WILLIAMS, H. W. JONES, CHAS. E. HOPPS, JOS. R. WILCOX, J. MARTENSTEIN, C. F. BASSETT, GEORGE SPAULDING, DAVID KERR, JNO. O. HANSCOM, THOS. NELSON, IRVING M. SCOTT.

November 29, 1871.

On motion it was ordered that the sum of Fifteen thousand Dollars be appropiated to pay off the Mortgaged debt due the Union Insurance Company—

Auditing Committee reported the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid—

On account of Pavilion & Fair Expenses

S. A. Fralf	Gas Fitting	$80.00
E. R. Campbell	Compiling Report of Fair	150.00
		$230.00

Treasurer's Report.

To the President & Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith I submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for November 1871.

Receipts.

On acc of Rent		$616.50
" " Collections		210.45
bal in Treasury as per report for Oct.	59.61	$886.56

Disbursements

Amt paid

G. C. Hurlburt	Salary for Oct.		$175.00
G. P. Coleman	Do	Do	100.00
H. Steiglitz	"	"	70.00
G. C. Hurlburt	Petty Cash		40.20
Bancroft & Co	Books		73.45
A Roman & Co	Do		67.00
Olmstead & Cone	"		22.95
North British & Merchantile Ins. Co,	Premium		56.75
Royal Ins. Co	"		113.50
S. F. Bulletin	Advertising		2.00
D. Hicks & Co	Binding		62.50
W. E. Loomis	Papers & Magazines		155.69
Thomas Hay	Globes, Burners etc		14.50
Dewey & Co	2 File holders		3.00
Wells Co	Rent for Nov.		15.00
Chas. H. Gordon	Printing		6.00
Chronicle	Advertising		1.50
Underwriters Agency	Premium		56.75
Sinking Fund 10%	of Receipts	83.69	$1153.48

Leaving balance due the Treasurer $266.92

San Francisco November 29th 1871

Respty Submitted
Henry L. Davis

The above report of Treasurer received and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts

The following Quately Report of the Treasurer was received and ordered spread on the Minutes.

To the President and Board of
Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith please find my Report for the Quarter ending Nov. 29th 1871

Receipts.

For September	Rent & Collections		$613.00
" Do	" " Collections		884.40
" October	" " Rents		655.00
" Do	" " Collections		1118.15
" November	" " Rents		616.50
" Do	" " Collections		210.45
		Total	$3127.50

Disbursements.

For September		$1270.86
" October		819.84
" November		1153.48
Due Treasurer as per last Report		150.24
		$3394.42
Leaving bal due Treasurer		$266.92

San Francisco
Nov. 29th 1871.

Respty Submitted
Henry L. Davis Treas.

To the President & Board of
Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my Quately Report of the Sinking Fund.

Receipts	For September		$119.74
	" October		80.31
	" November		82.69
Bal in Treasury as per last Report		1346.40	$1639.14

Disbursements, Amt for City & Co Taxes 1871 pd $858.33. 858.33

leaving bal in Treasury to credit Sinking Fund $800.81

San Francisco
November 29, 1871.

Respty Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas.

On Motion Ceb were drawn among the Members of the Boards, to pairs to superintend the Course of Lectures now being given before the Mechanics' Art College with the following Result -

1st	Kerr and Martenstein
2d	Nelson and Williams
3d	Hoppe and Bassett
4th	Davis and Spaulding
5th	Wilcox and Hanscom
6th	Brunner and Jones -

On Motion adjourned

H. T. Jones
Secretary Pro. Tem

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute
Rooms of the Institute
December 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair—

Present, a Quorum

In the absence of the Recording Secretary Mr. J. H. Culver was elected Secretary Pro-Tem—

Minutes of the two previous meetings of the Institute read and approved—

The following Quarterly Report of the President was received and ordered spread on the Minutes.

To the Members of the
Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

Herewith I present my quarterly report of the affairs of the Mechanics' Institute, and with it the report of the Board of Managers of the 8th Industrial Fair.

The financial condition of the Society is much improved, as a result of the late Industrial Exhibition, the debt has been reduced from $37000 to $5000— the embarassment we have been laboring under so many years no longer exists, and what remains of the Mortgage debt can be paid off in 6 or 7 years from the accumulating sinking fund

Undoubtedly there is cause to ~~rejoice~~ rejoice and the only regret is, that there still remains an un-extinguished tail end of the old debt. I cannot help but confess some disappointment in this fact, and although I can heartily congratulate you upon the present condition of the affairs of the Society and its future prospects, yet it would have been an infinite satisfaction, if it could have been announced tonight that the debt was absolutely and entirely extinguished

But your Society has done well, Your total indebtedness in March 1868 (when you

did me the honor to elect me President) was about $53000 on which you were paying $516— per month interest— The library contained 11000 volumes. Your indebtedness is now reduced to $5000 — interest account is reduced to $41.66 per month — Your library is increased to 18000 volumes and besides reducing your debt, you have paid $2000— on account of the building and street improvements and nearly $10.000 have been invested in books—

Should not this Society with its splendid property un-incumbered, a steady revenue, an exceedingly valuable library, strong and independent, having relieved itself of its debts by hard work and honest effort, should it not by its members increase its membership? and thus increase its sphere of usefulness. It is true we have often made this appeal and from sheer need, needing more members because we needed more money in the treasury every month. Let us appeal again, we need more members now than ever before— We need them for the membership sake, We can get along well on our present membership roll of 1143 all in good standing and new members joining at the rate of 30 per month.

Our revenue is good with a balance over current expenses of $87 per month, but we ask all interested in the Arts and Industries to join us, so that we may have new life, fresh vigor and renewed strength.

The Society is open to all, here all can meet on common ground, it takes no part in politics, to know no faction, its interests no party interest, it is broad liberal and comprehensive and in a city like San Francisco its membership should number at least 2500.

Your Society has a bright future and a fruitful field to work in, it is established now on a firm basis, let nothing be done to harm it, Your property must be held sacred from debt or incumbrance, Your library must be kept up to date especially in the scientific literature Your reading room must be well supplied with journals from home and abroad, Lectures should not be omitted, Classes should be formed on special subjects, scientific and Experimental Clubs should be organized, All this of course is the work of time and depend much on your trustees and how far they are aided by the members—

During the last quarter 85 new members have joined the Institute, it is impossible to tell how many members have dropped off as they do not always

report when they withdraw

There have been added to the Library the following books during the same term

Science & Art	100.
Fiction	185
Philosophy & Essays	31
Biography	10
History	18
Poetry	12
Travels	8
Others	21.
In all	385

I am glad to be able to announce that there will be delivered before the Mechanics' Art College in the Lecture Hall of the Institute a course of 20 lectures by the eminent Professors of the State University, the same rules which applied to the course of lectures delivered last winter will also apply to this As the number of attendants to the lectures are limited I should suggest immediate enrollment by such members of the Mechanics Institute as desire to attend.

I beg to draw your attention now to the favorable report of the last quarter as follows.

Receipts from Rents	$1882.50	
" Dues	1243.10	$3127.60
Disbursements Salaries	1035.00	
Water	54.00	
Printing & advertising	196.50	
Books & Newspapers	835.69	
Book Binding	164.00	
Insurance	227.00	
Improvement & Repairs	256.75	
Furniture & Supplies	9.25	
Stationery Books & Petty Cash	153.25	
Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts	312.74	
	$3224.18	

Due Treasurer as above $116.60
" " last report 150.22 $266.82

Interest and Gas bills for 8 months now paid directly from the Pav Fund as well as the amounts paid in the reduction of the debt -

by the Sinking Fund after paying City and County Taxes there is a balance of at this date $800 00

There was transferred to the Pavilion Fund by the Board of Managers and placed in the hands of the Board of Trustees $16161 00, from which the sum of $15000 - have been appropriated to the reduction of the debt, leaving a balance on hand of $1161 00 with the Treasurer and there are accounts due the Pavilion Fund amounting to $2935 - There is yet to be paid from the same fund about $500 - on account of the late Industrial Fair as well as some balances due by the Mechanic's Institute

The present estimated condition of the quarterly receipts and disbursements of the Society are as follows -

Receipts	Entrance Fees	$90.	
	Dues	1300	
	Rent	1830	$3220.00
Disbursements	Salaries	$1035	
	Gas	190	
	Water	54	
	Printing & Advtg	80	
	Books & Newspapers	700	
	Insurance	75	
	Sinking Fund	325	
	Repairs & Improvements	220	
	Interest	125	
	Furniture & supplies	100	
	Book binding	60	
	Sundries	30	2984.00
Leaving a quarterly balance of			$236.00

With the foregoing balance of $85 - per month above expenses, it is evident that although we are so nearly out of debt, strict and true economy must be practiced in the administration of the affairs of the Society.

Some necessary expenditures have to be made in the departments of the Committee on Building and on Books & Donations. It is expected there will be a balance of about $2000 - in the Pavilion Fund after balancing everything up, but until this is done it would be well not to incur any outlay that may be avoided -

Your Society was never in a more prosperous condition, and if you ful disposed the balance of $500 – remaining on the debt might be swept off You would then stand without a dollar indebtedness in the Society and the satisfaction of having worked it off by hard blows, pertinacious and vigorous pounding Some financering but no by game of chance –

A. S. Hallidie
President

Dec 5th 1871

Mr Dunn gave notice that he would move at the next quarterly meeting, the following Amendments to the Constitution

To Amend Section 2 Article IX by substituting the word one in place of the word Six as at present so that the section will read as follows –

Sec. 2. Each member who shall have complied with Article VIII Section 1 at least one month previous to such election and who is not delinquent shall be intitled to one vote in the election of Trustees –

To Amend Article VIII Sec 1 by substituting the words When endorsed and recommended by a member in good standing, in place of the words, Subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, so that the said Section shall read as follows.

Sec 1, Any person of good character may become a full member of this Association when indorsed or recommended by a member in good standing, 1st by signing the Constitution and Bye Laws, 2d Paying an entrance fee of one dollar, 3d Paying one dollar and fifty cents dues quarterly in advance –

To Amend Article XVI, Sec 1, by substituting the words "a majority" in place of the words "two thirds" so that the Section as amended shall read as follows

Sec 1, This Constitution shall not be altered or amended unless by a vote of "a majority" of the members present at a stated meeting of the Mechanics Institute, notice being given three months previously, specifying the proposed Amendment

On motion adjourned

J. H. Culver Sec'y pro tem

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
December 5th 1871

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair

Absent Messrs Davis, Williams Hanscom, Nelson, Bommer, Scott and Nilon –

In the absence of the Recording Secretary Mr Jones acted in that capacity

Reading minutes of the previous meeting dispensed with.

Corresponding Secretary requested to inform the Recording Secretary that his books required his immediate attention.

The following Report of the Committee on Library Rooms and Building was received and the Committee authorized to carry out the recomendations therein set forth together with the erecting two lamps at the front of the Building:

San Francisco Dec 5th 1871

To the President and Members of the
Board of Trustees of Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen

Your Committee on Library Rooms and Building, after many unavoidable delays, now think that there can be a few Hundred Dollars spared for Improvements and alterations to make our Rooms more attractive and pleasant for the members and at the same time protect the general property.

We find that the following proposed improvement are really needed and do strongly advise the Expenditure, and give an approximate Estimate of the same

Main Halls

Whitening the Floors	$30.00
One 3 Branch Burner at entrance	30.00
Hanging Rail in East Hall	45.00
Pre Sold Counterlights for Doorway	50.00

Chess Room

Whitening	$10.00
Slate Rezl	50.00
Chair Rail on two sides	10.00

Reference Library

Furnace Connection	$50.00

Library Room.

Whitening	50.00
Railing around Librarian's Desk	$66.00
Pair, pair of Blinds	150.00
Whitening Reading Room	35.00

Ladies Toilet Room.

Connect water pipe with main	$20.00
Repairing Roof, Painting Fences &c	15.00

Believing that the above work can be done for the estimate, we should ask for authority (if they meet your approval) to perfect the same and an appropriation of say $700-

There is much needed in the Library a pair of Standard Globes, Celestial and Terrestial, in fact no Public Library is complete without them, the same can be purchased for $190- gold-

Again the steel lamps before our Main entrance are neither ornamental or useful, being so insignificant to attract attention, think we would be justified in straining a point to procure new ones, the cost would be about $75-

There are many other little things needed about the building, but we do not feel like recomending them at present, perhaps not before the coming Spring-

Respectfully Yours
David Kerr
Chas. E. Hopps

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid

Institute Fund

A. Roman & Co	Books	$98.20
Olmstead & Cone	Do	16.82
Paget, Upham & Co	"	40.75
H. L. Bancroft & Co	"	22.55
E. Bosqui & Co	Binding	10.00
D. Hicks & Co	Do	5.50
F. Seugni	Engraving	2.00
Le Count Bro & Manson	Cancelling Stamp	5.00
H. Stiz Litz	Salary for Nov.	70.00
G. C. Faulkner	Do	175.00
G. P. Coleman	"	100.00
Spring Valley Water Co.	Water for Dec.	15.00
Librarian's Petty Cash	Sundries	39.60
Do	Do	18.55
		$636.97

Pavilion Fund

S. N. Smith	Services at Fair	$80.50
E. R. Campbell	Compiling Fair Report	150.00
		$230.00

Librarian's Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I beg leave to report for the month of December as follows.

Received for Initiation Fees		$23.00
" " Dues collected		264.85
" " Rent Henry Blythe to 1st Dec		245.50
" " " J. D. Snow		60.00
	Pacific Business College	250.00
	L. Dixie on a/c	30.00
	J. O'Donnell to 1st Dec	60.00
	E. O. Belle 2 meetings	6.00
	Do Small room to 15th Dec	15.00
	H. Hammond " "	30.00
		$1004.35

Cash on hand Nov. 1st	$193.40
Collections in November	287.85
Rent " "	716.50
	1197.75
Paid A. L. Davis Treasurer	$826.95
Bill against Board of Education	23.50
Petty Cash in November	58.15
Balance on hand Dec 1st	289.15
	$1197.75

Mr P. Dicey has this day made a payment of $40— on account, and still owes for the two months ending Dec 25th $88.50.

Twenty three new members have joined the Institute, Viz:—

Thos. Hatch	Herein Pator	S. R. McKim
H. Finger	W. H. Thompkins	H. Cushman
Mrs Jos Holland	N. A Butterfield	Jno. H. Dunn
P. C. Dannenberg	H. Adolphus	D. McGrath
D. Barry	H. McKenzie	G. S. Dean
Mrs. H. B Briggs	Jno. H Horn	H. B. Smith
James S. Jones	L. J. Crall	Mrs R. Ambaste
Cornelius C. Dunn	Henry Burnham.	

There have been added to the Library by purchase Two hundred and one volumes classified as follows, Viz:—

Fiction 85, Theology 3, Travels 2, Philosophy and Essays 12, Biography 4, History 1 Bibliography 6, Science and Art 88, Of these last 32 volumes are of the Franklin Institute Journal, just received from Philadelphia

A donation has been received from Deputy Supt. Jno. Swett 11 copies Common School Report 1871

All of which is respectfully Submitted
G. C. Hulbut
Librarian

San Francisco
Dec 1st 1871.

Librarian's Report received, names of new members approved, Financial portion of report referred

to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, and the Corresponding Secretary instructed to return the thanks of the Board for donation received.

Communications

From A. G. Dimlar presenting a Lithograph, Received donation accepted, and the Corresponding Secretary instructed to return the thanks of the Board

From Pneumatic Gas Company, Received and ordered placed on file

On motion adjourned

A. N. Jones
Secty Pro Tem

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
January 2d 1872.

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent, Messrs Jones, Harkenstein and Scott.

Minutes of the meetings of Nov 21st and 29th 1871 read and approved as read.

Committee on Books and Donations reported having authorized Mr. Bailliere to collect Australian Works of value on the Mines, Agriculture, Natural History etc. of that Colony and forward the same to the Institute, the arrangement authorizes Mr. Bailliere to send the first invoice not to exceed $100— and if satisfactory to the Trustees, they will be accepted and Mr. Bailliere instructed as to future orders, Action of Committee approved—
Also report communication from President Hallidie donating a new register of Books for the Library Room, Donation accepted, Register adopted and the thanks of the Board tendered President Hallidie—
Also recommending that an order of £17. 12s. 6d be drawn in favor of B. Quaritch in part payments of monies due for Books.

Committee on Stage, Grants & Accounts reported the following bill correct and the same were ordered paid

A. Steiglitz	Salary for Dec 1/2 month	$35.00
J. C. Hyde last	Do.	175.00
G. P. Coleman	"	100.00
H. C. Bennett	"	35.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co	Plumbing etc	62.75
J. G. Hodge & Co	Paper Files	6.00
Alta Carrier	Subscription to Jany 73	11.70
Cal. Horticulturist	Alta California	2.50
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Nov.	89.95
Spring Valley Wat. Co	Water	36.00
Licke & Montague	Labor on furnace etc	6.25
		$560.15

		$560.15
Librarian's Petty Cash	Sundries	31.10
Do	Do	22.75
Middleton & Co	Coal	51.00
Licke & Montague	Furnace pipes etc	40.00
Jennings & Garfield	Whitening Rooms	110.00
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	61.70
A Roman & Co	Do	69.36
Olmstead & Cone	"	7.56
		$953.62

The following orders were ordered drawn

Estee & McSavin	Legal Services	$100.00
Mercantile Ins. Co.	Interest	41.66

Librarian's Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report for the month of December, as follows:

Amount received for Initiation Fees		51.00
" " " Life Membership		50.00
" " " Dues collected		643.30
" " " Rent P. Dixey on a/c		61.50
" " " J. D. Strem		60.00
" " " Pacific Business College		230.00
" " " H. Blythe on a/c		92.00
" " " J. O'Donnell		60.00
" " " H. Hammond		50.00
" " " H. G. Badger Hall 1 night		15.00
		$1336.00
Cash on hand Dec 1st 1871.		$370.50
Amount Collections in December		747.30
" Rents " "		588.30
		$1706.50

Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1431.65
Bill against Board of Education (still unpaid)	23 50
Petty Cash Bills in December	53.85
Amount on hand Jany 1st 1872	197.80
	$1706.80

Capt. Blythe still owes for the past month $15— and Mr. Dirsy owes for the three months ending January 25th $32—

One Life Member and Fifty four (54) regular members have joined the Institute:

Life Member E. Conway

Laura Robinson	Lincoln Varney	R. E. Arnold
W. H. Hotchkiss	Burk La Grange	St. Markant
Anna H. Jackson	Thomas Morris	Clinton Day
G. T. Brown	W. King	Peter Bruce
H. Coughlan	Kate Kennedy	Ella S. Comell
Carl Rubeskopff	S. D. Tucker	P. A. Jennings
Jas. McDonald	Jos. Gosling	John Trotter
Wilson B. Pennock	Chris. Fitzgerald	Lydia F. Macy
Isaac A. Vosburgh	J. J. Platzfield	A. H. Hanson
C. P. Adams	H. B. Shoemaker	J. M. Duval
De Witt M. Hunter	Sidney Cushing	H. J. Logan
A. J. McLenie	Chas. G. Ennis	H. S. McKinney
P. Hirshfield	John Wright	A. Hayward
John Leibert	James Rose	John Dand
Naomi Hoy	W. P. Casey	Daniel McCarthy
H. C. Pelham	Timothy Nolan	Philip Hinckle
P. E. Montevorde	E. L. Thorpe	John J. Donelly
J. T. O'Neil	H. H. Sterling	J. A. Hoffman

There have been added to the Library by purchase One hundred and two volumnes, classified as follows:

Fiction 52, Theology 2, Travels 4, Philosophy & Essays 13 Biography 6, History 9, Games 2, Science and Art 10, Poetry & Drama 4.

Donations have been recieved

from Robt Watt Comptroller
Biennial Report of Comptroller

from Washington Bartlett
Port Charges of San Francisco

from Hon E. Caseely
Report of Department of Agriculture 1870.

The Janitor, having found it impossible to keep up with the hours hitherto required of him, has accepted a proposition to do all the heavier work about the rooms and building for $35— per month, and I have engaged a lad named Harry E. Bennett, to act as Messenger and general assistant in and out of doors for $30— a month. These arrangements are subject of course to the approval of the Board.

All of which is respectfully submitted

San Francisco
January 2nd 1872

G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

Librarian's Report received, names of new members approved, financial portion of report referred to Committee on Hays, Keane and Secrest, Corresponding Secretary instructed to return thanks of the Board for the donations received, and the action of the Librarian in matter of Janitors approved.

Treasurer's Report.

To the President & Board of
Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for December 1871.

Receipts.

On a/c Rent	$685.50
" " Collection	693.15
" " One Life Membership	50.00
	$1431.65

Disbursements.

Amount paid		
Ugden Ins. Co	Interest to Dec 9. 71	$166.66
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Nov	175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
H. Stieglitz	" " "	70.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash	18.55
do	" "	39.60
		$559.81

		$539.81
S. H. Gratt.	Repairs on Gas	2.50
Paget, Upham & Co	Books	49.75
Liegant Bros & Mauren	Cancelling Stamps	8.00
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Oct.	80.50
S. F. Water Works	Water for Dec.	18.00
P. Seregni	Engrossing	2.00
Bancroft & Co	Books	22.55
Roman & Co	"	98.20
Olmstead & Cone	"	16.80
C. Bosqui & Co	Binding	10.00
D. Hicks & Co	"	8.50
M. M. Estee	Counsel fee suit of Upton	100.00
Union Ins. Co	Interest to Jany 9. 72	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	143.16
Amt due Treasurer as per report for Nov		266.92
	Total	$1438.35

Leaving balance due Treasurer $6.70

Respy Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

San Francisco
December 30th 1871

Treasurer's Report received and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

Committee on Building and Library Rooms and Treasurer Davis, appointed to confer with the Board of Supervisors in matter of fencing & grading Union Square. And the Recording Secretary requested to notify the Board of Supervisors of the same.

Communications

From Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, requesting the Board of Trustees to place Union Square in the condition it was when taken possession of by the Board of Trustees. Received and acted upon as above set forth.

From Howard Chapman, in matter of applying to the Legislature for grant of land for the purposes of the Institute, Received and ordered on file.

From D. J. MacGowan acknowledging receipt of Cash Premiums awarded him, Received and ordered on file.

From Clark Churchill and others in matter of City Hall Reservations, Received and ordered on file.

On motion the Board declared in favor of Renting one half of the Third Story of the Institute Building for the sum of $200.

Matter of Keeping the Library Rooms open on Sunday, laid over until next meeting.

On motion adjourned.

H. H. Williams
Rec. Secty.

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
January 16th 1870

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent Messrs Williams, Hanscom, Nilcox and Nelson.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Treasurer Davis reported that he had an interview with one of the Board of Supervisors in regard to the grading and fencing Union Square but Nothing definite had been agreed upon.

On motion Mr Barrett was allowed 1000 Copies of the Report of the Board of Managers of the 8th Industrial Fair, the Expenses of the Printing of same to be paid by him.

Bill of J.K. Prior for gas fitting done at the Pavilion in 1869, referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts to examine and report upon the same.

Communication from G.P. Coleman Asst Librarian received and ordered filed.

Communication from 33 Members of the Institute received asking for the keeping open of Library on Sundays, laid over for next meeting.

Matter of Cataloguing the books of the Library referred to the Committee on Books and Donations, to inquire into the cost and report as soon as possible.

Committee on Books and Donations requested to ascertain the Cost of a Terrestrial Globe and report the same at the next meeting.

Matter of Repairing Sofa referred to Committee on Library Rooms [illegible]

The following Preamble and Resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted.

Whereas, the Hon. Charles E. De Long Minister of the United States in Japan, is now in this city on his way to Washington; and whereas, in preparing for the Industrial Exhibition, which was opened in this city on the 8th of August 1870 the Board of Managers of the said Exhibition, sympathizing with the progressive spirit, then working out a wonderful political revolution in Japan, and wishing to testify to her people the friendly feelings entertained for them by the Citizens of California and of the United States, and their desire for close Commercial relations between the two Countries, delegated a special agent with authority to solicit from the Japanese Government and people Contributions to the Exhibition and to ask therein the good offices and aid of the United States Minister,
And Whereas the Hon. Charles E. De Long at once entered into the spirit of this request, and by his efforts prevailed upon the Government of Japan to appoint Officers to visit San Francisco and report upon the Industrial Exhibition, and secured for the same extensive Contributions, representing the natural wealth and industrial resources of the Japanese Islands.
And Whereas, the visit and Report of the said officers cannot but result in a more correct appreciation by their Countrymen of the Exceptional advantages enjoyed by California for acquiring All that they seek for in Western civilization.
Resolved, that the Mechanics Institute hereby acknowledges the great services rendered by the Hon Charles E. De Long through it, to the people of California and of America, and takes this opportunity to return him the thanks of this Society in the name of the Industrial interests which it represents.
Resolved, that a properly engrossed Copy of this Preamble and the accompanying Resolutions, certified to by the President and Secretary be delivered to the Hon Charles E. De Long in the presence of the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute.

On motion the Board recommended the name of Charles E. De Long, to be put in nomination for election as Honorary Member at the next regular meeting of the Institute.

On motion adjourned.

H. H. Jones
Sec'y Bd Trus

Special Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
January 23rd 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent Messrs Williams Davis, Jones, Hanscom, Hopps, Scott and Wilcox.

Committee on Books & Donations reported in the matter of making out a Catalogue of the Books in the Library. And on motion it was decided to Catalogue the Books and close the Library from the 25th to the 10th of February for repairs and the Arrangement of the Books.

Communication received from Henry Blythe in matter of the Lower Hall, received and referred to the Committee on Library Rooms and Building.

On motion adjourned

Geo. Spaulding
Secty Bd Trs

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
February 6th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent Messrs. Kerr, Selden and Wilcox

Minutes of the two previous meetings read and approved as read.

Committee on Books & Donations granted further time to report in matter of Globes.

Committee on Books & Donations reported that it would require three more days than first intended to complete the Cataloguing of the Books. The three days further time granted.

Treasurers Report for January.

To the President and Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present a statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of Pavilion Fund Account.

Receipts

H.P. Hewick	on a/c sale of Pavilion	$171.00	
J.R. Rice	" " " " Pipe	100.00	
G.P. Coleman	Sale of Looking glass etc	1.00	
Bal in Treasury as per report of Dec 29/71		1161.89	$1436.89

Disbursements

E.R. Campbell	Compiling Fair Report	$50.00	
W.T. Wiggate	Petty Cash	5.00	
Union Ins Co	Ac of/s Mortgage	15000.00	
S.R. Gould	Superintending Grand Fair	50.50	
Discount on $10.000 Silver		150.00	
Schaack Bros	Making Medals	9.25	
R. Quarital	Books for Institute	388.33	15753.08
	Leaving balance in Treasury this date		$2653.81

Jany 31st 1872

Henry L. Davis Treas

To the President and Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith I submit Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for January 1872.

Receipts

On a/c of Rents		$613.00
" " " Collections		654.85 $1267.85

Disbursements

Amt paid			
J.E. Hurlburt	Salary for Dec		$175.00
G.P. Glemen	" " "		100.00
H. Steiglitz	" " "		85.00
H.E. Bennett	" "	S.C. Hurlburt Petty Cash	35.00
J.H. O'Brien	Plumbing		53.85
Middleton & Co	Coal		62.75
Fleming & Garfield	Whitening		51.00
Bancroft & Co	Books		110.00
Leman & Co	"		61.70
Olmstead & Cone	"		69.36
Alta Carrier	Subscription to Alta		7.56
Locke & Montague	Labor on Furnace		11.70
"	Furnace Pipe, etc		6.00
Cal. Horticultural	Subscription		10.00
J.C. Hodge & Co	Paper Files		2.50
S.F. Water Co	Water for Nov & Jany		6.00
S.F. Gas Co	Gas for Nov		36.00
Union Ins Co	Interest to Feby 9th		89.95
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts		41.46
		126.75	
Bal due Treasur as per report for Dec			6.70
	Total	1128.51	1128.51
Leaving balance in Treasury this date			$139.34

San Francisco
January 31st 1872

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas

Treasurer reports received and referred to Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts.

Librarians Report

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I beg leave to report for the month of January as follows:

Amount received for Initiation Fees		$44.00
" " " Life Membership		250.00
" " " Dues		378.00
" " from Pacific Business Colleges		250.00
" " " J.T. Snow		60.00
" " " J.C. Connell		60.00
" " " E.C. Belle ½ Jany 15th		21.00
" " " do " Feby 15th		19.00
" " " P. Dicey on a/c		15.00
" " " H. Blythe		135.00
" " " W. Hammond ½ Feby 15th		58.00
		$1487.00
Cash on hand Jany 1st		$275.15
Collections in January		874.00
Rent collected		613.00
		$1762.15

Paid H.L. Davis Treasurer	$1517.85
Petty Cash Bills for January	52.75
Balance Feby 1st	191.55
	$1762.15

Mr Hurlburt's rent is $15- a month and he pays at the rate of $2- a night extra for use of the room rented. Mr Dicey was in arrears on the 1st of Feby to the Amount of $762 cts for the three months ending the 25th inst. On this he has paid $42 cts and still owes $720 cts. Capt Blythe has paid in full to the 1st inst, and $2.70 on the Current month.

Forty six (46) ordinary members and ten (2) new Life members have joined the Institute. Three of the five Life members received in January were already paying members. The names of the new ones are.

J.A. Lynch	J.R. Whiteman	R.A. Kinella
G.W. Meade	Abraham Kraus	Richard S. Lake
Saml. Williams	R.S. Craine	Lucius Thompson
P.N. Hopps	Jno. James Taylor	A.J. Carlin

Jno. C. Kelley	Robt Forsyth	Edward Barthrop
C.H. Perkins	H.Wm. Snow	Frank Corbett
John Hay	E.B. Kenna	S.P. Garwood
Edward Herrick	Saml Parnell	C.H. Bartlett
Jas Macgabroyd	J. Brunn Jr.	Thos. P. McCarthy
John H. Pitts	Charles Schofield	Mrs. A.A. Porter
Matthias Harter	P.L. Weeks	R. Hangeman
Samuel Jessop	G.N. Minor	James Devlin
Eugene O'Neil	James Hanley	A.L. Bassett
H.C. Bennett	Thos H. Cox	E.B. Cutter
H.T. Spellan	M.J. Howard	Robt W. Towne
J.A.H. Lundberg	Wm Flint (Life)	E.P. Heald (Life)

The three other Life Members are—
H.A. Brueshagen, Wm Byrne and P.C. Stordberg

The books added to the Library number One hundred and sixteen (116) Classified as follows—
Fiction 62, Law 1, Theology 1, Travels 8, Philosophy and General Literature 25. Fames 1, History 3, Science 15.

Donations have been received
from Rev. E. Hitchell
Essay on Goethe's Faust
from Maj R.S. Williamson Brevet Lieut Col. U.S.A.
Removal of Blasson Rock.
from H.H.L. Meyer
Thucydides, folio ed Amsterdam, 1731
from J.P. De Groot
New York Directory for 1871

All of which is respectfully submitted
G.C. Hurlbut
Librarian
San Francisco
Feby 5th 1872

Librarian's report received, Names of new members approved, Corresponding Secretary to acknowledge receipt of Donations, and financial portion of report referred to Committee on Ways, Means and accounts

Communication from G.P. Coleman in matter of salary for services as Assistant Librarian referred to Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts to report—

Auditing Committee reported the following Bills correct and the same were ordered paid—

Jas. L. Field	Services as Book Keeper	50.00
Francis & Valentine	Printing	6.25
Do	Do	3.25
Olmstead & Cone	Books	16.64
A. Roman & Co	Do	69.09
Librarian's Petty Cash	Sundries	31.50
W.E. Loomis	Papers from Oct 1st to Jany 1	170.70
Plum Bell & Co	Laying Matting	5.00
S.F. Gas Co	Gas for January	98.00
Do	" " December	78.05
G.C. Hurlbut	Salary for January	175.00
G.P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
H.E. Bennett	" " "	30.00
H. Steiglitz	" " "	35.00
Middleton & Co	Coal	51.00
Morning Call	Adverg	2.50
Payot, Upham & Co	Books	6.00
Cairns "Bulletin"	Papers to Jany 6	24.25
J. MacCrellish & Co	Adverg.	6.00
J.R. & D. Barkhaus	Books	20.70
A. Hick & Co	Binding	42.50
A.L. Bancroft & Co	Books	64.17
Librarians Petty Cash	Books & Papers	21.25
Lucy & Co	Scientific & Rural Press	10.00
	Total	

Bill of P. Seugni for engrossing Credentials of H.D. Mann laid over until next meeting

In the matter of Keeping the Library Room open on Sundays as per petition of members on file, Mr Hanscom moved for the indefinite postponement of the same, Ayes and Noes being called the motion was lost by the following vote. Ayes, Brunner, Jones, Hanscom Masterson and Scott, (5) Noes, Halliday, Davis Williams, Bassett, Hopps, and Spaulding (6)
Motion to grant the request—lost—
Moved that the members of the Institute be notified, that at the next Quarterly Meeting of the Institute, the matter of Keeping the Library Room open on Sunday would be discussed, so that the Trustees could obtain the views of the members in relation to the same.—Carried—

Communication received from Capt. H. Blythe asking for Re-Lease of the Institute Hall at lower terms, Corresponding Secretary instructed to acknowledge receipt of the Communication, and to notify Capt. Blythe, that the Board would lease him the Hall on the terms as they now stand —

On motion adjourned

J. H. Williams
Rec. Secty

Special Meeting Board of Directors
Rooms of the Institute
Feby 13th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hollister in the chair

Absent Messrs Brunner, Williams, Jones Hopps, Hancom and Scott

Mr Spaulding acted in the capacity of Recording Secretary

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported that Capt. Blythe was willing to re-lease the Institute Hall for the sum of One hundred and twenty dollars, The Institute to receive all monies collected for the use of the Hall on Saturday evenings

On motion the Committee on Library Rooms & Building were empowered to Lease the Institute Hall to Capt. Blythe for an indefinite period of time for a sum not less than One hundred and twenty ($120) per month, and he to have the right of renting the said Hall on Saturday evenings, and all monies realized from said renting on Saturday evenings to belong to and be paid to the Institute

Committee on Library Rooms & Building authorized to purchase suitable desks for the use of the Librarians and two small reading desks to be placed on the left of the enclosure railing

On motion adjourned

Geo. S. Spaulding
Secty Pro Tem

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
February 20th 1872.

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Present. Hefers Brunner, Davis, Houseem, Kerr and Wilcox.

Minutes of the previous Regular and Special meetings read and approved as read.

Committee on Books and Donations reported that the Catalogue of the Books in the Library would be ready for the printers about the middle of next April. Also that they had not found a suitable Globe and asked further time to report on the same (Granted)

Committee on Warp, Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid. viz:

Mahon, Rapp, Thomas & Co Printing Reports of the Board of Managers 8th Industrial Ex	$956.20
J. H. Culver, Reading Proof and partial Compilation of the same	40.00
To be paid out of Pavilion Fund.	$996.20
Jessie & Drew. Railing on Stairs	$35.00
J. H. Kelly 11 days Carpenter work	39.00
To be paid out of Institute Fund.	$74.00

Mr Kerr came in and took his seat.

Building Committee reported having leased the Institute Hall to H. Bly for the term of one year, at One hundred and twenty ($120) Dollars per month payable monthly in advance on the 10th of each month, and the Institute to receive all monies collected for the use of the Hall on Saturday evenings The above was approved.
The Committee also report that the Business College had notified them, that the rooms now occupied by the College would be vacated on or before the first of March.

Building Committee authorized to advertise for rent and to rent the rooms now used by the Business College on the third story of the building, for the sum of Two hundred and fifty ($250) Dollars per mo.

The Secretary was instructed to draw an order on the Treasurer for $26.00 in favor of Monroe in payment for damage done Rubber suit on Exhibition at the Fair. to be paid out of the Pavilion Fund.

Bills of Hefers J. K. Paine and P. Smyth laid over until next meeting (Special)

Auditing Committee reported adverse in the matter of increase of salary of the Asst. Librarian Received and adopted, Matter of claims for past services referred back to the Committee to report.

Proposition of Mr Pugh in regard to Pavilion Building referred to the Building Committee and the Secretary to report.

Communication from Conway Scott and Wm Corbett in matter of "Technical Education" received and ordered to file. referred to Com. Lectures & classes.

On motion it was determined to employ a janitor instead of the present arrangement at a salary of $70 per month.

On motion it was ordered that Dr Bell be notified to vacate the rooms now in his possession.

Building Committee instructed to report the cost of Cementing the outside of the rear walls of the building.

On motion adjourned.

W. H. Williams
Rec. Secty

Special Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
February 29th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the chair.

Absent Davis, Williams, Nelson, Hanscom, Wilcox and Brunner.

Minutes of previous Regular Meeting read and approved as read.

Quarterly Reports

San Francisco, Feby 28th 1872

The Committee on Books and Donations submit their Report for the Quarter ending February 29th 1872.

The number of volumnes added to the Library for the past quarter, by purchase and donation, are 473. classified as follows: Fiction 151, Theology 3, Travels 18, Philosophy & Essays 52, Biography 9, History 15, Games 3, Law 2, Poetry & Drama 4, Science & Art 234, Miscellaneous 4.

Among these books lately added are the great French Engineering Series, "Les Annales des Ponts et Chaussées" in 84 volumnes, 60 volumnes from the English Patent Office embracing Abridgements of Specifications, the Journal of the Commissioners of Patents, Chronological and other indexes, etc, forming a complete body of information concerning English inventions; And the Journal of the Franklin Institute complete in 45 volumnes.

We believe when all the books shall arive, already ordered of our agent in London, we shall have one of the best Reference Libraries as we think we have now at least one comprehending the greatest scope, in Science and Art, on this coast. And a reference to the shelves (we cannot yet refer to a Catalogue) will convince any one, that if we have not all the books of fiction, we have at least a good selection. It has been the endeavor of the committee in their selection of fiction to choose such as are unobjectionable and which might with propriety be taken to the home circle

The purchase of Juvenile books the past year has been quite large, and we think may continue to be so in the future. Some of the best writers are now turning their talent in this direction and the result has been, that our shelves are well filled with "Tales" of this kind of literature for the young, and we think even the middle aged might read it with profit.

In the first fortnight of February during which the Library was closed for rearrangement and repairs, a complete catalogue of the books was taken and is now being arranged, Your Committee hope that the manuscript will be ready for the printers during the month of April.

So steady is the growth of the Library that there will soon be a necessity for providing increased accomodations for the books in every department. And your committee feel that it will be requisite to adopt some symmetrical plan of extension for the whole system of shelves.

Respectfully
Geo S Spaulding
Irving M. Scott } Committee

Report of Committee on Books and Donations received and ordered spread on the minutes.

To the President & Board of
Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my quarterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Quarter ending Feby 29/72

Receipts for Rent on a/c of Rent		$688.50
" " " " "	Collections	693.15
" " " " "	Life Membership	50.00
" " Janry " "	Rent	613.00
" " " " "	Collections	654.85
" " Feby " "	Rent	596.00
	Collections 52.75	$3348.25
Disbursements for December		$1171.43
" " January		1121.81
" " February		980.93
Balance due Treas's a/c per Report Nov 29.	266.92	3541.09
Leaving bal due Treasurer		$192.84

S. F. Feby 29. 1872

Henry L. Davis Treas.

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith present my Repat of the Pavilion Fund.

Receipts

Cash in Treasury as per Repat for January	$2653.81	2653.81

Disbursements.

Amount paid			
James L. Fields	Services 8th Ind. Fair	$50.00	
Francis & Valentine	Printing	5.35	
J.H. Culver	Reading Proofs & Compilation	40.00	
Hahon Rapp Thomas & Co.	Printing & Binding Repat.	956.20	1051.45
Leaving bal in Treasury this date			$1602.36

San Francisco, Feby 29th 1872

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis Treas

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

The following is the condition of the Sinking Fund—

Amount in Treasury as per last Quarterly Report Nov. 29 1871	$800.81
Cash received Dec. 30th 1871	1143.16
" " Jany 31. 1872	126.78
" " Feby 29. "	64.87
Making total in Treasury this date	$1135.62

San Francisco
Feby 29 1871

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas

Treasurs Report received and referred to Committee on Ways Means and accounts

Communications

From A. S. Hallidie tendering his resignation as President of the Institute—

Mr Hallidie returned retired appointing Mr Scott to the Chair—

Moved and carried that Mr Hallidie be respectfully requested to withdraw his resignation—

Mr Spaulding was appointed a committee of one to await upon and inform Mr Hallidie of the action of the Board—

Mr Spaulding left the meeting to find Mr Hallidie and returned reporting that he was unable to find Mr Hallidie—

On motion the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to inform Mr Hallidie of the above action of the Board—

From Sheridan Corbyn in matter of Lot of Land for Pavilion Building— Recvd and ordered placed on file—

Committee on Ways Means and accounts repated the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid—

A. L. Hallidie	Custom House duties on Books	$1.60
"	Damage & Mutilation Rubber Cut	25.00
"	Freight on Books	21.37
	Total—	$47.97

On motion adjourned

H. H. Jones
Secty Bd Trus

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute
Hall of the Institute
March 2d 1872.

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the chair.

Present – a quorum.

In the absence of the Secretary Mr. J. L. Fields was appointed to act as Secretary Pro. Tem.

The following Quarterly Report of the President was read, received and ordered spread on the minutes.

To the Members of the
Mechanics Institute

I herewith present my report for the Quarter ending February 29th 1872 of the affairs of the Mechanics Institute.

From the reports of the various committees I find that some of the Committees have given considerable attention to the matters committed to their charge and in the departments especially under the control of these Committees have attended to the best interests of the Society.

The Library was closed for two weeks during which time the books were re-arranged and a careful Catalogue made of the contents of the Shelves.

The Librarian and his assistants are now at work, during their spare time in preparing the Catalogue for the printers; the necessity of a complete and full Catalogue has been long felt, more especially since so many valuable additions have been made of Standard Scientific Works and transactions of Scientific Societies. The last Catalogue was printed in 1865, since that time several thousand books have been added.

Your Library is largely behind in works of practical utility, not behind other Libraries of this Metropolis, but certainly not up to the requirements of the Mechanics and Scientific men of this city.

The Trustees felt that the first duty to be performed was to liquidate the Society's indebtedness as fast and as far as possible especially in view of the resolutions passed by the Members at the quarterly

meeting of Dec 1871 thereof all the available funds were directed to that end and which prevented the appropriation which otherwise could have been made for the enlargement of our library. Although for two or three years past large additions have been made at considerable outlay, yet it must be remembered that Scientific books cost largely in excess of light literature and this latter branch must also be kept up for the general reader.

The financial resources of the society are now confined to its revenue from Rent and members dues. The rent of the Lecture Hall has been reduced 20 dollars per month and the floor formerly occupied by the Business College and which has paid 250 dollars per month, is now without a tenant, so that the revenue of the society is 270 dollars per month less than formerly. It is expected however that the upper floor will soon be leased.

In my last quarterly report I showed that at the time our revenue exceeded our expenses only 15 dollars per month. I advised the most rigid economy in the administration of the affairs of the society, it being necessary that such a contingency as arises from unavoidable curtailment of revenue (such as tenant in 3d floor leaving) should be met by a fund in hand. Certainly you cannot afford to go in debt more than you are, our experience of the hard work in the past four years forbids this, and it is to be hoped that the Mechanics Institute will never have occasion to take a step backward. Onward is our motto, and now that we are in the path to success, let us see to it that we keep the right track and are not switched off by lack of prudence.

The printed Report of the 8th Industrial Exhibition is ready for distribution, each member of the society can obtain a copy at the Librarian's desk or by sending a note by messenger to the Librarian. The report is more comprehensive than any yet published and contains information not to be obtained elsewhere.

The matter of fairs to come have received the attention of your Trustees, but so far without any result. The Trustees are however agreed that it is advisable to have a permanent building for holding these fairs and it is to be hoped that through the liberality of the City and citizens means may be obtained to attain this end. It has been suggested that application be made to the State Legis-

lature to provide in part ways and means to a suitable building. The building in the interval to be used for educational purposes and to be the nucleus for a grand Museum of Art, that such a plan would be of benefit to the State none can doubt, but it is questionable policy this running to the Legislature whenever assistance is needed, when one does not see how it can be otherwise obtained, or when one lacks the spirit or energy to obtain it. It is admitted on all hands that we must encourage the industrial interests, everybody says so, in fact they say so enthusiastically and vigorously and there stop — their hands do not go down to their pockets, or if they do, their pockets are as empty as their words. They are friends of the working men, admirers of the Mechanic, who fraternize before election to ignore after. One of these institutions with which I am familiar as an ex-officio Trustee and a pretty regular attendant at its meetings, whose province is to facilitate the employment of the Laboring Man, the Mechanic and the servant girl, and which in the spirit of true benevolence during the past 12 months has obtained employment for 33000 men and women, literally placing them in a position to keep honest, a position to often denied them, and this without one dollar of cost to those who have sought employment, has been vilified and abused, condemned and executed on Ex parte statements, by an Assembly of Representatives of the people, because forsooth discharged servants of the Institution, who, when discharged for cause, have conspired to its ruin by the issue of malignant and false statements which when without inquiry accepted as true by the Assembly of the State.

It is my opinion that the "California Labor Exchange" has been honestly administered and has been the means of assisting the Laborer or Mechanic to honorable ways of making a living more than any institution in the City and its loss is a direct blow to the interests of the Mechanic.

In answer to our application the Commissioners of Patents has designated the Mechanics Institute as the place of deposit in the City of San Francisco for the full patent office weekly reports, these volumes can be viewed from 9 A.M. to 10 P.M. These weekly reports commencing last June will be here in a few weeks and will hereafter be received regularly. In this connection through the effort of Mr John O. Mahoney one of your trustees, I am advised that we expect to receive a large number of models from the patent office which the trustees have agreed to have properly

displayed for the benefit of all concerned.

From the British Patent Office we have received the complete abridgement of Specifications from 1542 to 1867 also complete indices and other documents of value to the Inventor. Your Trustees are still making an effort to obtain the British Patent Office Report in full, having twice failed in the effort it is to be hoped the third trial may be more successful- as these report cover the whole ground of patented inventions in Great Britain, from the earliest time and consists of about 2500 folio volumes. Here immence value to a Library like this can be understood.

Lectures have been delivered in the Hall during the last 10 weeks on Saturday evening- I beg especially to draw the attention of the members to these lectures. As they are given by the Regents of the State University, the Trustees have no positive say in the matter of admission, but members of the Institute can always secure room by taking the trouble to obtain a ticket from the Librarian early Saturday morning. Commencing next Saturday March 9, Professor Joseph LeConte, deservedly a most popular lecturer, will deliver a course of lectures, the subject being, The Post Tertiary period and the introduction of man. These lectures have awakened a spirit of inquiry, and the effects are to some extent visible in a better appreciation of this kind of instruction.

During the past quarter there have been added to the Library 500 volumes classified as follows:
Fiction ~~75~~ Theology 3. Travels 18 Philosophy &c 54.
Biography 9. History 15. Games 3 Poetry & Drama 4.
Law 2, Sciences &c 334, Donations 7. Total 500

One hundred and twenty (120) members have joined the Society. Some time since I made an effort to obtain Life members sufficient to wipe out the remaining indebtedness of the Society, but owing to my inability to do personal, on account of want of time, there has been subscribed so far but twenty eight names $1400 dollars, many of whom have paid and which has been deposited as a special fund, the condition on which the majority signed being that the whole amount of 5000 dollars be subscribed. I feel confident that with effort and your co-operation this amount can be secured especially when it is remembered that a Life membership is only 50 dollars & which in my judgement should be 100 dollars

The financial statement for the last quarter is as follows:

Receipts.

Institute Fund-			
Rents	$1897.50		
Members Dues	1400.75		
Life Member	50.00		$3348.25
Disbursements			
Salaries		$1030.00	
Water		34.00	
Printing & Advertising		11.75	
Books & Newspapers		552.97	
Book Binding		18.50	
Gas		346.30	
Improvements & Repairs		251.25	
Furniture & Supplies		108.00	
Stationery		174.75	
Sinking Fund		334.81	
Interest		291.64	
Law Expenses		100.00	
Due Treasurer last report		216.92	3511.09
Due Treasurer this date			$192.84

Pavilion Fund.

Receipts.	Amt transferred from 8th Ind Fair	$16161.89	
	A. P. Hemick a/c sale of Building	1171.00	
	J. K. Prior sale of pipe	1100.00	
	Sale of looking glasses & cloth	4.00	$18436.89
Disbursements.			
	E. R. Campbell compiling Report	$150.00	
	Wm Westgate Services	5.00	
	Union Ins Co. a/c Mortage	15000.00	
	Discount on $10.000 Silver	150.00	
	S. H. Grubb Services at Fair	80.30	
	Hubach & Katz Medal	9.25	
	R. Dwinell Books for Institute	388.33	
	Bookkeeper at Fair	50.00	
	Frances & Valentine Printing	5.25	
	J. H. Colton Services	40.00	
	Printing & Binding Reports	956.20	16834.53
	Balance in Treasury		1602.36

Sinking Fund.

Receipts.

Balance in Treasury last report	$800.81
10 ⁰/₀ of Receipts for Dec. 71	1143.61
" " " " Jany 72	126.78
" " " " Feby "	64.87
Balance in Treasury this date	$1135.62

Summary

Cash on Land in Pavilion Fund	$1602.36	
" " " " Sinking Fund	1135.62	2737.98
Less due Treasurer Institute Fund		192.84
Bal. to credit of the Society		$2545.14

In addition to the foregoing balance there is due from advertisers in Fair Report about $800—
from Hanscom & Co Shafting &c sold and to be sold about $500—
Making a total balance at this date of $3845 14/100 —
The total indebtedness of the Society is now

Balance due on Mortgage	$5000.00
Sundry outstanding bills about	700.00

Towards the liquidation of the of the balance due on the Mortgage, I have already stated $1400.00 have been subscribed in Life Memberships, but in order to secure the amount it will be necessary to have the balance $3600.00 subscribed.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the condition of the Library is prosperous and with continued care on the part of the Trustees there can be little fear of the future. The experience of the last four years has proved the wisdom of the laws governing this society and judging from the past and with which many of you are familiar and looking to the future it would be unfortunate to make any change in the Constitution not called for by actual necessity

The Quarterly Meeting of the Institute should follow the quarterly meeting of the Trustees, so that the quarterly reports of the various committees can be obtained, under the present practice the quarterly meeting of the Institute may come on the first of the month and it then is impossible to obtain the quarterly report from the committees. The Committee on Ways, Means & Account have been neglected in this particular, I would therefor

recomend in view of the necessity of the case that the Quarterly meetings of the Institute be hereafter on the first Saturday after the first Tuesday in the months of June, September, December and March.

Several members have requested the Trustees to open the Library on Sunday between the hours of 2 & 10 P.M. to be used for reference only and the Trustees being divided in opinion on the subject, it has been referred to this meeting for an expression of opinion, and I trust members will be fully prepared to vote on it.

In conclusion I beg to state that I have tendered my resignation to the Board of Trustees to take effect from the 4th inst, being then just 4 years since you did me the honor to first elect me your President. I can thank you sincerely for kindness and consideration during that period and feel that, that tie which binds me as a member to this Society will always remain firm, and that in time of need, which I pray God avert, You will find me ready to aid the Mechanics' Institute by my humble efforts.

A. S. Hallidie. President

The three ammendments to the Constitution of the Society, offered by Mr H. D. Dunn at the last quarterly meeting were read, and on motion action on the same was indefinitely postponed.

The meeting by vote of the members present, expressed a wish that the Library should be kept open on Sundays between the hours of 2 & 10 P.M. for a period of three months, as an experiment

The meeting expressed its earnest desire that President Hallidie would retain his office until his present term expires—

Mr Harden gave notice that at the next quarterly meeting of the Institute, he would move for the following ammendment to the Constitution of the Society—

That Art. XII, Sec. 3, be ammended by substituting the words, "first Saturday after the first Tuesday, instead of the words, "first Thursday.

On motion adjourned

J. L. Fields Secty Bd Trus

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
March 5th 1872

Meeting called to order Vice President in the Chair—

Present, Hallidie, Williams, Hanscom Nelson and Wilcox.

Reading minutes of last meeting dispensed with.

Building Committee asked to have further time granted them to report in matter of proposed improvements — granted —

The following monthly report of the Librarian was received, the names of new members approved, and the financial portion of the report referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen.

I beg leave to lay before you the following Report for the month of February—

Amount received for Initiation Dues	$17.00
" " from W. H. Bryan for 3 books imported for him	10.60
" " for dues collected	100.50
" " from J. L. Fields Life Member	50.00
" " " J. F. Snow Rent	60.00
" " " F. Dezey on a/c	42.00
" " " Pacific Business College	250.00
" " " A. Blythe on a/c	120.00
" " " J. O'Donnell	60.00
" " " W. Hammond	50.00
" " " E. O. Belle	15.00
	$775.10

Cash on hand Feby 1st	$244.30
Received for Collections	178.10
" " Rents	597.00
	$1019.40

Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$698.75
Petty Cash for February	101.80
Amount on hand March 1st	218.85
	$1019.40

F Dezey now owes for the four months ending March 25th One hundred and twenty five dollars, Capt Blythe, still owes for the month of February Fifty two 50/100 dollars

Eighteen new members have joined the Institute viz:—

Harry Monnot,	H. H. Eadon,	William Blair,
Charles Hildenberger,	Felix Ghio,	Aaron Harris,
John S. Drury,	Mrs M. A. Yarger,	H. H. Smith
Leopold Kuh,	Charles Nash	Peter Hotkins
J. D. O'Neil,	R. Layng	Mrs C. McKay
N. G. Finch,	L. Summerfield	J. L. Fields (Life)

There have been added to the Library by purchase Two hundred and seventy five volumes classified as follows:

Fiction 37. Travels 6, Philosophy and Literature 14, Law 1, Biography 3, History 3, Science & Art 209, Miscellanious 2,

Those on Science and Art include the Series of the 'Annales des Ponts et Chaussées' and the publications of the English Patent Office, All received from England and the Set of the Journal of the Franklin Institute

San Francisco,
March 1st 1872

All of which is respectfully submitted
G. C. Hurlburt
Librarian.

On motion the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Dezey, that the amount due the Institute must be paid by him,

On motion it was decided to Keep the Library open on Sundays, between the hours of 2 & 9 P. M. for Reference only.

Matter of Salary of Librarian referred to Committee on Library Rooms and Buildings—

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts asked for further time to report in matter of claim of G. P. Coleman for past services. On motion the whole matter was indefinitely postponed —

Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts reported the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid —

Pavilion Fund.

D. Hicks	Report	$113.50

Institute Fund.

Frost & Richards	Varnishing Blinds	85.00
Petty Cash	Catalogue Circulars etc	95.50
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for February	82.60
S. F. Water Works	Water "	18.00
G. P. Coleman	Salary "	100.00
H. E. Bennett	" "	30.00
G. C. Hurlburt	" "	175.00
H. Steiglitz	" "	35.00
J. D. Helmken	Hardware	22.05
Middleton & Co	Coal	51.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co	Plumbing	17.55
Petty Cash	Books & Papers	6.30
Morning Call	Advertising	1.00
S. F. Bulletin Co	"	5.00
Hoppe & Co	Luic Signs	50.00
H. P. Cowgill	Printing Notices	2.50
S. F. Chronicle	Advertising	8.00
Olmstead & Cone	Books	9.23
P. MacCrellish & Co	Advertising	2.00
A. Roman & Co	Books	27.03
A. L. Bancroft & Co	"	70.18
D. A. MacDonald & Co.	Blinds & Railing	172.25
D. Hicks & Co	Binding	60.60
		$1055.82

The following Report of the Treasurer for the Month of February was read, received and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen

Herewith I submit my Report of the receipts and disbursements for Feby. 1872

Receipts —

On a/c of Rents	$596.00
" " Collection	52.75
Bal in Treasury as per Report for Jany	139.34
	$788.09

Disbursements

Amt paid		
G. C. Hurlburt	Salary for January	$175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
H. E. Bennett	" " "	30.00
H. Steiglitz	" " "	35.00
G. C. Hurlburt	Petty Cash	52.75
Francis & Valentine	Printing	3.25
Plum, Bell & Co	Laying Carpet	5.00
Middleton & Co	Coal	51.00
Bancroft & Co	Books	64.17
Olmstead & Cone	"	16.64
Roman & Co	"	69.09
P. W. & D. Burkhaus	"	20.70
S. F. Gas Co, Gas for Dec & Jany		176.05
Sayer, Upham & Co	Books	6.00
Carrier Evening Bulletin	Subscription	26.25
Morning Call	Advertising	2.50
MacCrellish & Co	"	6.00
Dewey & Co	Scientific Press.	10.00
Deese & Dows	Rail on front stairs	25.00
Union Ins Co.	Interest to Mch 9/72	111.66
Sinking Fund	10 % of Receipts	64.87
		$980.93

Leaving bal. due Treasurer $192 84

San Francisco
February 29th 1872

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas

The following Communication recind from A. S. Hallidie consenting to retain his position in the Board - and the same was ordered spread on the minutes.

San Francisco March 5th 1872

A. S. Jones Esq.
Corresponding Secretary Mechanics Institute
My Dear Sir -

I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of 1st inst, and in reply would say that I had no idea of being overruled in my determination but in view of your request and that of the members of the Institute I will comply with the wish there to pressed & continue my official connection with the Society, protesting however that you far overate the value of my services & ability but I do not wish to be considered obstinate or arbitrary & beg you will consider it so - and will do the best I can

Yours very truly
A. S. Hallidie -

On motion adjourned

A. S. Jones
Secty Pro Tem

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
March 19th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair

Absent Messrs Hanscom, Kerr and Wilcox -

Minutes of the two previous meetings read and approved as read.

Building Committee reported that they had leased, subject to the approval of the Board, for a term of two (2) years, the Easterly half of the third story of the Institute Building to Messrs Badlam & Berry for the sum of One hundred and fifty ($150) Dollars per month, payable monthly in advance. Approved

Committee recommend the following alterations, that the partitions between the Chess & Committee rooms and between the Committee room and Reference Library be removed as also the stairs now in the Ladies Entrance, Approved and the committee to report the cost of the same at the next meeting -

Committee also recommend that the Back room on the Westerly half of the third floor be prepared for use as the Chess Room, that the room at the front end of the second story hall be used for the Committee Room, and that the front room on the third floor be used for Class room

Addopted -

Committee granted further time to report on the cost of blackening the rear wall.

On recommendation of the Building Committee and motion in the Board, it was determined to establish Classes in Mathematics and Mechanical and Architectural Drawing, The cost attending the same to be defrayed by Subscription, Any one subscribing $5 per year entitled to one scholarship.

Auditing Committee reported bill of Britton & Rey for Lithographing etc $25.00 Correct and the same was ordered paid out of the Pavilion Fund

Treasurer authorized to pay the City and County of San Francisco, the sum of Four hundred (400) Dollars on lien of regrading and refencing Union Square.

Building Committee reported having agreed to pay the Librarian $75 per month extra for Extra service rendered on Sundays.

Soliciting Committee granted further time to report on Sheridan Colyn's communication.

Building Committee instructed to notify the tenants of the respective stores that the rent of the stores hereafter will be, for the smaller stores $65 per month each and the larger stores $70. per month each.

On motion adjourned.

W. H. Williams
Rec. Secty

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute
April 2nd 1872

Meeting called to order President Halliday in the Chair.

Absent Hanscom, Hoppe, Nelson Scott and Wilcox.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved as read.

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported that they have had the walls & ceilings of the upper story whitened. Bids for the outside plastering of the rear walls and having deferred the receiving of bids for the proposed alterations for the Reference Library Rooms. — Approved — Also recommend that the following alterations for the Reference Library Rooms in lieu of those adopted at a previous meeting; viz: That the Ladies Entrance be maintained, Open the Ladies Entrance to the Library and cut an opening from the Main Library to the Reference Library Rooms, and that the matter of plastering the outside of rear wall be laid over until next Fall. Recommendations adopted.

Committee on Books and Donations reported Communications from the U.S. Patent Office and draft of document to be sent by the Institute to the Patent Office relating to the Weekly Reports of the Patent Office. Draft of Document approved and the President and Secretary instructed to sign the same in behalf of the Institute, and affix the Official Seal of the Institute thereto, and forward the same to Washington. Committee granted further time to report on the matter of Globes.

Chairman of the Committee on Library Rooms and Building authorized to force the Payment of Rent due by T. Reid.

Librarian to be requested to make out a list of the Members of the Institute that will be entitled to vote at the Coming Election of Trustees, and to have the List be posted up in the Library.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid:

Institute Fund.

A. A. Keller & Co	Books	$9.50
Carrier Alta	Subscription to Apr 1	$10.50
D. Nicks & Co	Binding	11.70
Carrier Bulletin	Subscription to Mch 30	33.50
Bulletin	Advertising	22.50
Francis & Valentine	Printing	8.00
Payot, Upham & Co	Books	3.30
Chronicle	Advertising	10.50
Librarian's Petty Cash	Sundries	6.50
do do	do	127.45
G. C. Hurlburt	Salary for March	52.75
G. P. Coleman	do do	175.00
H. H. N. Smith	" "	100.00
Wm Metzgar	Attendance at Lectures	70.00
Plum Bell & Co	Dusters	30.00
Johnson & Best	Furniture	4.75
S. F. Water Works	Water for March	63.00
P. Sengni	Engrossing	18.00
H. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	5.00
A. Roman & Co	"	93.02
Olmstead & Cone	"	113.49
		11.62

Total —

Pavilion Fund.

P. Sengni	Engrossing	$22.60
Librarian's Petty Cash	Cartage	1.00
	Total	$23.60

The Board passed the Bill of J. K. Prior $46.25 for work done on the Pavilion in 1869 and the same was ordered paid out of the Pavilion Fund.

The following Report of the Librarian for the month of March was received, Names of new members approved, Corresponding Secretary instructed to acknowledge the receipt donations received, and the financial portion of the Report referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute
Gentlemen.

Allow me to lay before you the following Report for the month of March.

Amount received for Initiations Fees	$33.00
" " " Life Membership	100.00
" " " Dues collected	1168.50
" " from J. P. Snow Rent	60.00
" " " P. Dicey "	54.50
" " " N. Blythe Rent to Mch	42.50
" " " do " to Apr	110.00
" " " J. O'Donnell "	60.00
" " " N. Hammond "	50.00
	1675.50

Cash on Hand March 1st	$330.65
Collections &c in "	1301.50
Rents collected " "	37.00
	$1999.15

Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer	$1714.80
Petty Cash Bills in March	168.20
Cash on hand April 1st	86.15
	$1999.15

Mr. P. Dicey yesterday paid Twenty nine Dollars on account of rent and 50 cts for the three months ending April 30th One hundred and fifty six 50/100 Dollars

Thirty three (33) new members have joined the Institute viz:

Paul Seiler	John Jack	C. D. Mead Throp
Geo S. Ladd	Robt Acton	A. K. Chase
Hon. S. A. Henderlack	Chas Patten	L. C. A. Afee
Hiles A. Hyer	Hyp C. Chamberlin	Hyp Weld Ford
Chas A. J. Davies	E. Field	J. H. Harrigan
C. B. Bishop	P. Ord	David J. Keyes
J. L. Stanford	M. H. Joseph	Hyarthur M. Gilpin
A. P. Van Duzen	J. D. Perry	Isaac Pinratt
Hyr Robt Haley	T. D. Bacon	Jas H. Swain
J. G. Johnson	H. B. Hughes	Mrs. A. B. Simpson
H. H. Wheaton	T. A. Huntington	A. Reimers

The two Life Members were taken by James Moffitt and Chas. E. Hoffe, old members.

The number of volumes added to the Library is 1824, classified as follows viz:
Fiction 73. Travels 9. Biography 15. History 8
Nat. Hist. & Mineral Literature 16. Science & Art 45
Political Economy 2. Encyclopedias & Dictionaries 4
Poetry 2. Theology 6.
Of the Biography 6 volumes are in German, and 1 of the Dictionaries in French. Forty two volumes of the Annales des Ponts et Chaussées and Five volumes of the Publications of the English Patent Office are included in the list above given.

Donations have been received:
from the Merchantile Library
Sixteenth Annual Report 1872.
from the Superintendent of Public Instruction
Fourth Biennial Report on Public Instruction 1871-2
from Mr Rob't C. Lancey
The Voyage of Dr. Philips to Botany Bay 1789.
Documents accompanying President Hastings 1808
" do " do do 1811
The Royal Politician 2 vols 1700
Man's Place in Nature by Huxley 1863
The Free Thinker, Essayists 3 vols 1739
The Amorable Feasts, Facts, etc (Charleston Convent) 1771
(A volume saved from the burning of the)
The new Testament by way of question & answer 1824
Autobiography etc of Thos Turnbull 1811

The enclosed Invoice of works relating to Australia was received last week from Mr Ballière, according to the arrangement made with him some months ago. The Institute has the right to reject such works as are not acceptable, and I have put a cross against such as either not wanted at all, or can very well be spared. If the Board think it advisable, I should suggest retaining the set of Geological Maps, amounting in value to £5-1s and the cost of these works to the Institute would then be £28.16. The letters to which Mr Ballière alludes have not come to hand.

The bills for the Books purchased in March are very large because the books so long delayed on the Railroad

came through all at once, and it was impossible to satisfy the continual demands

San Francisco
April 2nd 1872

Respectfully submitted
G. R. Hurlbut
Librarian

The following Reports of the Treasurer were received and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for March 1872.

Receipts

On account of Rent	$278.00
" " " Collections	1366.80
	1644.80

Disbursements

Amt paid		
D. Hicks	Binding	42.50
J. H. Kelly	Labor	30.00
W. E. Loomis	Newspapers	170.70
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Feby	175.00
J. P. Coleman	do	100.00
H. Steinlitz	"	35.00
H. E. Bonnell	"	30.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash	101.50
D. A. MacDonald & Co.	Blinds & Railing	172.28
Frost & Richards	Varnishing etc	55.00
Olmstead & Cone	Books	9.23
A. Roman & Co	"	27.03
J. A. O'Brien & Co	Plumbing & Repairs	17.55
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	60.60
Bancroft & Co	Books	70.18
Middleton & Co	Coal	51.00
Bulletin	Adety	5.00
J. J. Helmken	Hardware	22.05
H. P. Conger	Printing	2.50
Hoppe & Sons	2 Zinc Signs	50.00
S. F. Water Works	Water for Feby	18.00

Chronicle	Advertising	8.00
S. F. Gas Co	Gas for Feby	82.60
John Munro	Custom House Dues	26.60
P. M. S. S. Co	Freight on Books	21.37
Orum Sav. Co	Int. to April 9th	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	164.48
Our Treasurer as per report for Feby		192.84
		$1411.97

Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $767.17

San Francisco
March 31st 1872

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis Treas

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith submit my Report of the Pavilion a/c for March 1872.

Balance in Treasury as per Report for Feby $1602.36

Disbursements

Amt paid		
C. Hick & Co	Binding Reports &c	113.50
Britton & Rey	Lithographing & Printing Reports	275.00
		$388.50

Leaving balance in Treasury this date $1213.86

San Francisco
March 31st 1872

Respy Submitted
Henry L. Davis Treas

The books selected by the Librarian from the Invoice sent by Mr Ballire, were accepted as also the Maps of Victoria and Melbourne. The balance to be returned. Outlay £21. 17s. 6d.

Resignation of Jno. O. Hanscom as a Trustee was received and accepted.

Mr H. H. Hanscom was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Jno. O. Hanscom

On Motion adjourned

H. H. Williams Rec. Sec'y

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
April 16th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Roll Call, absent Davis, Williams, Jones Scott and Wilcox.

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dispensed with.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported that J. Dixey had paid up the back rent due by him except for the present month, and that he will vacate the store at the expiration of the month;
That Mr O'Donnell informed the Committee that he is unable to pay Seventy five Dollars per month for the store now occupied by him, but is willing to pay Sixty seven 50/100 Dollars.
That the Chess Room has been fitted up.
Also recommend that gas burners be put in at a cost of $24, for the Chess Room, and that fourteen (14) Chairs be purchased to furnish the new Board room, and that the old ones now used by the Board be placed in the Chess Room.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building were authorized to purchase the Gas Fixtures and Chairs recomended by them.

Opening of Proposals for the alterations of Reference Library laid over until next meeting.

The rent of the two Westerly stores was fixed at Seventy ($70) Dollars per month.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building were instructed to rent the ~~Westerly~~ Easterly front rooms on the third story—

Communication read, from Jack R. Wilcox tendering his resignation as a member of the Board—
Received and resignation accepted, and the election to fill vacancy so caused laid over until next meeting

On Motion adjourned

Geo Spaulding Asst Rec Sec'y

Special Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
April 30th 1872

Meeting called to order, President Hallidie in the Chair

Roll Call, absent: Jones, Martinstein.

Building Committee reported proposals for the alterations of the Reference Library: and recommended the award of the said work to J. W. Bones, he being the lowest bidder, for the sum of One hundred and ninety five (195) Dollars.

On motion the Committee were instructed to enter in a contract with J. W. Bones to perform the said work as per proposal.
Committee further instructed to move the furniture of the Board Room into the new room, and to report at the next meeting the best and cheapest manner of furnishing said new Board Room.

Building Committee also reported having consented to allow T. Dicey to remain one month longer in the store occupied by him, on his paying Sixty (60) dollars, that they had placed a night latch on the entrance door of the Chess Room with sixty duplicate keys. Action of the Committee in the above approved.

On motion it was ordered that a Special Meeting of the members of the Institute be called for Saturday Evening May 4th 1872, for the purpose of appointing a Committee to nominate Candidates for election at the Coming election of Trustees.

On motion adjourned

W. H. Williams
Rec. Sec'y

Special Meeting Members of the Institute
Mechanics' Institute Hall
May 4th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

The President stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of appointing a Committee to nominate Candidates for election at the coming election of Trustees.

Moved, second and carried that a Committee of five (5) be elected by ballot, to consist the Nominating Committee.

Nominations being declared in order the following names were placed before the meeting, viz:

Joshua Gray	Jacob Browning	H. S. Smith
Chas. Ewing	Peter Craig	W. D. Greenhagen
Wm. McKibben	J. H. Gilmore	Chas. Keyser
	and H. S. Tredale.	

On ballot the following gentlemen were elected to act as Nominating Committee viz:

Joshua Gray Wm. McKibben J. H. Gilmore
W. D. Greenhagen and H. S. Smith.

Committee were instructed to report on the evening of May 18th 1872

On motion adjourned

W. H. Williams
Rec. Sec'y

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 7th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair

Roll Call, absent Davis, Nelson and Scott

Minutes of the three (3) preceding meetings read and approved as read,

Building Committee reported that the alterations for the proposed Reference Library Room were progressing, and that they had moved the furniture of the Board room in the new room and also recommended the whitening of the walls of Snow's store, Report accepted and the recommendation referred to the Committee with power.

Auditing Committee reported the following bills correct and the same were ordered paid

F. McCulloch & Co	Advertising	$2.00
Daily Morning Call	Do	2.50
S. F. Bulletin	"	8.25
S. F. Chronicle	"	1.75
Bartling & Kimball	Binding	81.50
G. & N. Snook	Repairing Roof Chairs	31.50
Rosler & Proff	"	20.67
Spaulding & Barto	Printing	16.50
Olmstead & Cone	Books	7.35
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Do	31.08
A. Roman & Co	"	100.02½
Librarians' Petty Cash	Sundries	35.50
Do	Do	72.85
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for April	175.00
G. P. Coleman	Do Do	100.00
H. H. A. Smith		70.00
S. F. Water Works	Water for April	18.00
S. F. Gas Co	Gas " March	82.95
S. N. Gould	Gas Fitting &c	6.37
Fleming & Garfield	Whitening 3d floor	58.00
Stott	Kipp & Chess Room	12.50
J. A. O'Brien & Co	Gas fitting &c	49.15

Committee on Books and Donations report, that the Catalogue of the Books in the Library had not as yet been made out on account of want of time, that the list of Members entitled to vote at the coming election had been made out, also submitted J. H. Gilmore final report in the matter of advertisements in the printed Report of the 5th Industrial Exhibition of the Institute, Gilmore's report accepted and approved

The following reports from the Treasurer were received and referred to the Committee on Ways & Means and Accounts.

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen,

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of April 1872.

Receipts

On a/c of Rent		$370.50
" " Collections		308.70
	Total	$679.20

Disbursements

Amt paid		
Morning Call	Advertising	$1.00
Payot, Upham & Co	Books	10.50
Plum, Bell & Co	Quarters	4.75
Bancroft & Co	Books	93.02½
A. Roman & Co	Do	113.49
Olmstead & Cone	"	11.62½
A. L. Keller & Co	2 vols Encyclopedia	10.80
Carrier of Alta	Subscription	11.70
D. Hicks & Co	Binding	93.50
Carrier of Bulletin	Subscription	22.50
F. Seregni	Engraving	5.00
Johnson & Best	Furniture &c	63.00
G. C. Hurlbut	Petty Cash	182.20
Do	Salary for March	175.00
G. P. Coleman	Do Do	100.00
H. H. A. Smith	"	70.00
Mrs Westgate	Service at Lectures	30.00
S. F. Bulletin	Advertising	8.00

S.F. Water Works	Water for March	$18.00
Chronicle	Advertising	6.50
Francis & Valentine	Printing	3.50
Union Ins. Co.	Premium on policy 30203	110.50
" " "	" " 30713	165.50
Sinking Fund	Interest on Note to May 9/72	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	87.92
Balance due Treasurer as per Repat for Mch		197.17
	Total	1576.83

Due Treasurer this date $697.63

San Francisco
April 30th 1872

Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith submit my Repat of the Receipts and Disbursements on a/c of the Pavilion Fund for the month of April 1872.

Receipts.

From J.H. Gilmore	a/c of Advertisements in Fair Repat	$600.00
G.C. Hurlburt	Sale of Shields	47.00
Balance in Treasury as per repat for March		1213.86
	Total	$1860.86

Disbursements

Amt paid.		
City and County	Fencing & grading Union Square	$400.00
J. Gregnia	Engrossing Diplomas	22.60
G.C. Hurlburt	Petty Cash	1.00
	Total	423.60

Leaving balance in Treasury this date $1437.26.

San Francisco
April 30th 1872

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

The following repat of the Libraricn for the month of April was received, names of new members approved, Corresponding Secretary instructed to acknowledge donations received and the financial portion of the repat referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen I have the honor to repat for the month of April as follows

Received for Initiation Dues	$24.00
" " Dues collected	208.50
" Rent from C.F. Webster	150.00
" " " J.D. Snow	75.00
" " " F. Dixey	175.00
" " " H. Blythe Jr.	110.00
" " " J. O'Donnell	70.00
" " " One night Supper Room	5.00
	$818.00

Cash on hand April 1st	$254.25
Collections in April	232.50
Rents collected in April	585.50
	$1072.35

Paid H.L. Davis Treasurer	$879.20
" Petty Cash in April.	108.35
Cash on hand May 1st	84.80
	$1072.35

Mr Dixey has paid everything but Five Dollars still due to the 2d April.

Twenty four new members have joined the Institute

Harry Edgar	Andrew Brown	Louis Meyer
P. Varnum	E.C. Dunican	H.A. Fairchild
A.C. Robinson	M.J. Hurley	Frank Williams
Jas Hirschfelder	Mrs. M.E. Engles	D.J. Daniel
Mrs. M. Sharkey	C. Curtis	J.H. Stewart
Company Scott	Henry Critcher	W.P. Clark
Mrs. W.L. Marple	C.H. Forsyth	E. Houlin
Mrs A.A. Cradock	Arthur H. Hill	J. Lofstedt.

There have been added to the Library by purchase 1145 volumes classified as follows:
Fiction 38, Travel 12, History 3 Biography 5, Science 64, Dictionaries 3, Philosophy and Essays 8, Law 1, Bibliography 4, Poetry 4, Twenty six of the volumes on Science are the new issue of Drawings and Specifications of Patents from 1st of July 1871 to Jany 1872.

Donations have been received from
Brit Col. Geo. Mundell
Report of the Chief of Engineers 1871
D. Bruce
Local Lyrics by Sam'l Boothe
Lt Col R. K. Williamson
Report of the Chief of Engineers 1871
C. H. Wakelee
Facts about Peat.
Peat and its Uses
Wonders of Heat
S. L. Pereira
The Great Conflagration Chicago, etc.
Hon. E. Caverly
Comparative Statement of the Rates of Duties and Imports etc from 1789 to 1870
J. C. Hazill
The Industrial School Investigation with a glance at the great Reformations and its results

The number of Books withdrawn from the Library in April was 6335, classified as follows:
Fiction 4800, History 148, Periodicals 120
Poetry 103, Biography 154, Travels 146,
Science 303, Religion 80, Essays, Philosophy and General Literature 307, French 124, German 46
and Spanish 4.

All of which is respectfully submitted
G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
May 2nd 1872

On motion the Board proceeded by election to fill the vacancy caused in the Board by the resignation of J. R. Wilcox, and on first ballot Mr. Jas. Patrick was so elected.

Secretary instructed to insert advertisement of the coming election of Trustees in the Chronicle and Bulletin

Matter of carrying out the proposed alterations of the Reference Library approved by the following vote ayes and noes being called, Ayes – 5, Brunner, Bull, Hoffe, Kerr and Hanscom, Noes 4 – Williams, Jones, Hartenstein and Spaulding.

Building Committee instructed to have the chimney in the proposed new Reference Library stripped and replastered at a cost not to exceed $15.00

On motion adjourned

W. H. Williams
Rec. Secty

Special Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 9th 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Present, Hallidie, Williams, Davis, Jones, Kerr, Hartenstein, Nilson, Scott, Hancom Spaulding and Patrick.

President Hallidie stated to the Board that the meeting was called at the written request of three of the Trustees, for the purpose of re-considering the action of the Board at the previous meeting in the matter relating to the location of the Reference Library and Reading Rooms,

On motion it was ordered that the Reading Room be removed to the new Room now being altered, and that the Reference Library be transfered to the present Reading Room—

On motion the instructions of the Board to the Building Committee so far as relating to the placing of the Reference Library in the new room was reconsidered, And the Committee instructed to proceed with the work as first instructed with these exceptions, that the Arched opening between the Library and new Room be omitted.
Committee further instructed to make the necessary removals of shelves, Desks etc necessary ~~necessary~~ to carry out the above transfer of Reading Room and Reference Library at a cost not to exceed $40—

On Motion adjourned

W. H. Williams
Rec. Secty.

Special Meeting of the Institute
Rooms of the Institute
May 18th 1872

Meeting called to order David Kerr in the Chair.

Present— a Quorum

J. L. Fields was elected Secretary Pro Tem

Committee appointed at the previous Meeting to nominate Candidates for the coming election for seven Trustees, submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted and the Committee discharged.

Hall of the Mechanics' Institute
San Francisco, May 13th 1872

To the Officers and Members
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen,

Your Committee appointed at your last meeting to nominate Directors for the ensuing year beg leave to report,
They have selected seven gentlemen whom they think eminently qualified to act as Directors and most respectfully submit their names for your approval.
The following are the names selected by your Comittee—
A. S. Hallidie, H. L. Davis, Geo. Spaulding
R. B. Woodward, Asa R. Wells, S. H. Wheeler,
and A. S. Hedde

All of which is respectfully submitted
H. S. Smith
J. F. Gilmore
Wm. H. Kibbon
Joshua Gray
W. D. Grunsdyen
} Committee

On motion adjourned

J. L. Fields
Secty Pro. Tem.

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 21st 1872

Meeting called to order President Hallidie in the Chair.

Absent- Brunner, Davis, Hopps Nelson and Scott.

Reading minutes of the preceding Regular and Special Meetings dispensed with.

The following Report of the Building Committee was submitted, received and ordered on file—

San Francisco May 21st 1872

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen.

Your Building Committee would beg leave to report, that the work as per contract with Mr Bowes is nearly completed, The Reading Room is already occupied by the members and the Reference Room is almost completed, It will now be necessary for the Board to determine the amount of new shelving to be placed in the room.

Your Committee would also report that they have had a Water basin placed in the Reading Room at an expense of $55— as per Contract with Hefner O'Brien & Co and that they have contracted with Jennings & Garfield to whiten the store which is to be occupied by Hinckley & Co and the Room and West side of Hall; also the necessary work in New Reference Room and in the Ladies Entrance Hall, West side from door up, and the whole of upper part at an Expence of $75— as per Contract.

The Committee would now recommend that a new stair Carpet be placed in Ladies' Room, and also matting on Ladies' Entrance Hall and stairs, and that one dozen chairs be purchased for Reading Room and one table for same, that new Matting be placed in Hall of second floor and the lockers in Main Library be repaired where necessary, that two additional shelves be put in each and that lockers be placed inside of railing in Library with shelves in same; that one new table be procured for Chess Room, and that

the Water Closets on upper floor be repaired on account of the very bad condition they were left in by the colleges. It will also be necessary to procure a new carpet for the Reference Room.

The two Reed Stores have been let to Mr Hinckley to be used as a Drug Store for one year at a rent of $125— per month, the Institute to take down the partition and whiten the walls and place the windows in their original position. This agreement was made by our President.

All of which is respectfully submitted
David Kerr. } Committee on
Jno. C. Patrick } Libry Rooms & Bldg

Action of Committee in placing wash bowl in the Reading Room and contracting for whitening of the walls set forth in the above report approved, and all the recommendations of the Committee in the said report adopted with exception of new shelving - adopted-

Action of the President in renting the two Reed Stores to Hinckley & Co approved-

The following gentlemen were elected to act as Judges of Election at the coming election for Trustees

J. H. Culver, N. W. Smith and James D'Arcy.

The following gentlemen were appointed to act as Clerks of election.

James McHaffie and Chas. H. Gordon

Messrs Thos Alvord, Washington Barton and M. M. Estee were elected as Installing Committee-

The President appointed Messrs Spaulding, Patrick and Jones as a Committee to see that the gentlemen appointed as Judges and Clerks of election would accept the positions awarded them, as also the Installing Committee, with power to fill vacancies if any-

On motion adjourned to meet again Monday Evening May 29th 1872

M. H. Williams
Rec Secty

Special Meting, Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute.
May 27th. 1872.

Meting called to order. President Collidi. in the chair.

Roll called, present Collidi. Davis. Williams. Bassett. Kerr. Mattenslein. Hanscom and Patrick.

Minutes of previous two metings read and approved as read.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building report that the work ordered at the last meting is completed with the exception of fitting up the shelving and lockers.

Committee on Library Rooms & Building authorized to contract with T. Delany for fitting up the shelving and lockers, at a cost not to exceed $115.-

Carpeting of the Reference Room laid over, until next meting.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building authorized to place new gas fixtures, in the Ladies' Entrance Vestibule, at a cost not to exceed $14.

President reported having let the West front room, of the third floor to Thos Hill, for $40 per month.- approved.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accts. reported the following bills correct, and the same were ordered paid-

No 513	Timmins & Garfield.	Repg and whitening	$ 30.00
514	J. W. Bones,	alterations, per order in favor of Vandyke $119.00	" $118.50
515	Jas Vandyke.	per order J. W. Bones,	119.00
516	Spring Valley W. W.	water for May.	18.00
517	Pfister, Bell & Co.	Cur. Matting	68.60
518	" " "	Matting, stair carpet etc.-	91.25
519	C. D. La Rue.	moulding, escutcheon plates.-	16.60
520	G. W. Quinn,	hardware,	7.15
521	W. J. Henry & Co.	1 doz. chairs, -	55.00

No 522	T. Merrill.	cleanning carpt -	$ 12.75
523	Frost & Richards.	setting glasses	13.00
524	J. C. O'Brien & Co.	plumbers work.	64.05
525	San F. Gas Co.	gas for April.	90.65
526	H. H. Bancroft & Co.	books in May.	4.10
527	B. Quanstch	bal. of acct	210.69
528	Olmsted & Cones	books in May.	4.75
529	E. Bosqui & Co	binding books	49.50
530	Librarian's Petty Cash	ways means &c. exp. - May.	68.90
531	do	Books & Donations, Books.	136.65
532	A. Roman & Co.	books in May -	75.60

Election Committee instructed to have the tickets printed.

The following report of the Committee on Books and Donations was read and received and ordered spread on the minutes.

San Francisco, May 27th. 1872.

The Committee on Books & Donations, submit their report for the quarter ending May 25th. 72.

There have been added to the library the past three months 542 volumes. The number added during the year is 1961 - divided as follows:- Science and art 796; Encyclopedias and Dictionaries, 11; Biography 80; History 59; Fiction, 607; Theology, 19; Physiology and Classics, 14; Essays and General Literature, 143; Travels, 73; Law and Political Economy, 27; Wit and Humor, 16; Poetry and Drama, 40; Governmental Reports, 19; Bound Periodicals, 83;

The number of volumes now in the Library of the Institute, by actual count is 17939 books have been It is believed that the selections of books have been judicious, when we take into consideration the objects of the Institute. Much money has been expended to make it valuable, to not only the Mechanic, who seeks for the best practical information, touching upon his particular branch in Mechanical Science, but to the searcher after Scientific Knowledge, it will be found valuable. The best collection of works of our own an European Countries, of a scientific character may be found on our shelves. These works are more costly, and not as easily obtained, as the lighter works of Fiction; but they grow become obsolete and contain and enhanced value, as they grow old and musty with age.

About one third of all the books added to the Library monthly are works of Fiction — Thus our Library is well suited to all classes, who may avail themselves of its advantages.

Among the volumes added to the Reference Library, the past year, we may mention; "A complete Set of the Annales des Ponts et Chaussées"; one of the most important engineering works, in existence. The set numbers 107 volumes. There are also 28 vols. of Abridgements of Specifications of Patents; 22 vols. of Indexes to Patents, and 11 vols. of Journals of Commissioners of Patents; — all presented to the Institute by the Commissioner of the English Patent Office.

The Library has also received, within the past month all the publications of the "Smithsonian Institute". It is well known that the Smithsonian "Contributions to Knowledge", are extremely valuable works in many departments of science and learning, and some of them, as for instance the volume by Squier, on "American Antiquities" are unique. The volumes have been put into the hands of the binder, after having received bids for the same, at $2.70 per. vol. for the 4to. and $1.25 per vol. for the 8vo. Messrs Hicks & Co. having been the lowest bidders for the work.

It is to be noted also, that the Institute is now in regular receipt of the new issue of the Specifications of Patents, by the Patent Office at Washington. These admirable volumes contain certified copies of the original of all patents, issued by our Government. They are published at the rate of one large volume octavo each week. They are furnished to us free of cost, except the binding, which amounts to $2.50 per volume, being sent to us by mail free. 26 vols. have been received.

The Reference Library is sadly in need of more shelf room. Many volumes of valuable books are now stored away in lockers, which should find a permanent place in the Reference Room. This matter is respectfully submitted to the Committee on Library Room and Building, for consideration.

The matter of Catalogue remains where it was left, after having taken the titles, for want of time to prepare it for publication. These titles can be easily arranged in a few weeks of uninterrupted time; but owing to the changes, which have been in progress, the past few weeks, the Librarian has not had time to give that attention to it, which its importance demands. The matter is therefore left for our successors to complete, as they may deem best.

The Committee on books should have at their disposal, not less than $200 per mo. to expend for books alone; and $300 would be still better. The committee have made a careful estimate of what has been expended monthly, the year past, but think the amount will not exceed $150. though it is possible that including periodicals, printing and binding etc. it may have exceeded that sum.

In closing this Report we desire to say, that our intercourse with the members of the Committee, as well as, with all the members of this Board, this past year, has been pleasant and agreeable, and in taking our leave of them, on the termination of our official term, which now expires, we desire to express our feelings of good will to those members, who retire with us, and to those, who still remain to fulfill the duties of their office.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

George Spaulding
Thomas Nelson.

Librarian's Report for the month of May referred back to the Librarian — to be returned at the next meeting.

Monies now in the Pavilion Fund, ordered transferred to the Institute Fund.

On motion, adjourned to meet again Thursday evening, May 30th.

W. S. F. Williams
Rec. Sec'y.

Special Meeting Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute.
May 30th. 1872.

Meeting called to order, President Callidie in the chair.

Roll call. present. Callidie, Davis, Williams, Bassett, Mrs. Martenstein, Spaulding and Patrick.

Committee on Ways and Means submitted the following report and the same was received and ordered it spread on the Minutes.

San Francisco, May 31st. 1872.
To the Board of Trustees,
of the Mechanics' Institute.
Gentlemen;

Your committee would respectfully submit the following report, for the Quarter ending May 31st 1872
to the sum of The receipts for the quarter amount to the sum of Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Five 44/100 Dollars, derived from the following sources:—

Rents	$1303.50	
Dues	1673.85	
Pavilion Fund	1728.09	$4705.44

The expenditures for the same time have been Four Thousand Four Hundred an Eighty 79/100 Dollars, as follows:—

Insurance	$276.00	
Interest	83.32	
Water	54.00	
Gas	173.25	$586.57
Books	799.02	
Periodicals & Mag.	204.90	
Advertising	28.50	
Printing	6.00	
Book Binding	186.10	
Furniture & Supplies	153.75	
Improvements & Repairs	946.81	
Petty Cash	352.00	

above—

Sinking Fund	170.34	
Salaries	685.00	
Sundries	61.60	$1480.79

Shewing an excess of receipts over expenditures of One Hundred and Twenty Four 65/100 Dollars.

It may be proper to state in this connection that the salaries for the month of May are not included in the list of expenditures, also that some Bills audited, but not paid appear.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. F. Bassett. } Committee
J. Martenstine } of
Ways Means and Apts.

San Francisco. May 31st 1872.
To the Board of
Trustees Mechanics' Institute;
Gentlemen;

Your Committee would respectfully present the following Report, for the year ending May 31st 1872.

Receipts for the year amount to the sum of Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Four 23/100 Dollars, including the balance taken from the Pavilion Fund of Seventeen Hundred and Twenty Eight 09/100 Dollars— itemized as follows;—

From Rents,	$6833.50	
" Dues,	6002.64	$12836.14
Bal. transferred from Pavilion Fund,		1728.09
		$14564.23

Disbursements for the same term are Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Five 53/100 Dollars, disbursed as follows;—

Insurance,	$655.25
Interest,	374.96
Water,	198.00
Gas.	519.00
Amt Ford	$1747.96

Amt Brt Forward.		$1746.96
Books.		3327.08
News Papers & Magazines.		771.33
Advertising.		192.25
Printing.		133.25
Book Binding.		575.85
Furniture & Supplies.		345.15
Improvements & Repairs.		1173.16
Petty Cash.		880.10
Sinking Fund.		1486.39
Salaries	3785.00	
Sundries	175.00	$11862.52

Salaries for May $345 00/100 not included in the above statement.

There has also been received for Life Membership the sum of Four Hundred Dollars, to be devoted to liquidating the debt on the Building (when a sum sufficient has been subscribed for that purpose.)

There was taken from the Pavilion Fund $3438 100 to pay the interest on the mortgage and gas bills, for the first half of the year.

Condition of the Sinking Fund.

Bal. on hand May 31st. 1871.		$1364.50
Rec'd in June.	$136.70	
" " July.	101.80	
" " Aug.	79.80	
" " Sept.	1149.71	
" " Oct.	80.31	
" " Nov.	82.69	
" " Dec.	143.61	
" " Janby 1872.	126.78	
" " Feb. "	64.89	
" " Mar. "	164.48	
" " Apr. "	87.92	
" " May "	218.14	1456.39
		$2820.89
Paid Taxes. Real & Personal.		1214.73
Bal. on hand May 31st 72 Sinking Fund a/c		$1606.16

The Institute is not in receipt of Rents to the amount of Five Hundred and Ninety Five Dollars, per month, the average income from dues per month,

for the Past Year has been Five Hundred Dollars.

We estimate the income of the Institute for the ensuing year, at Eleven Hundred Dollars, per month, with no Fair in prospect, and no sources of revenue outside our regular income, it will be necessary to practice the most rigid economy during the ensuing year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. Bassett. } Committee
J. Harkenstein } of
Ways, Means &c. a/c.

Committee also Report the Treasurer's and Librarians Reports are correct, up to date — & adopted.

The following reports of the Treasurer were received and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I herewith submit my Quarterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements ending May 30th. 1872.

Receipts.

For March on a/c of Rents,	$378.00	
" " " " Collections,	1266.80	
" April " " " Rents,	570.50	
" " " " " Collections,	308.70	
" May " " " Rents,	385.00	
" " " " " Collections,	98.35	
" " From Pavilion Fund.	1728.09	$4705.44

Disbursements

For March —	$1649.13	
" April —	1379.33	
" May	1753.65	
" Amt due Treasurer as per report 2/6/72	192.81	
	$4975.28	
Leaving balance due Treasurer this date —		$269.84

Henry L. Davis.
Treasurer.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I herewith submit my report of the receipts and disbursements for May, 872.

Receipts.

Recd on a/c of Rent	$355.00	
" " " " Collections,	98.35	
Amt transfered from Pavilion Fund.	1728.09	$2181.444

Disbursements.

Bailting & Kimball for Binding,	$81.50	
Spaulding & Barto " Printing,	18.50	
H. H. Bancroft & C. " Books.	31.08	
A. Roman & C. " do,	150.02	
J. H. O'Brien " Plumbing,	119.15	
G. C. Hurlbut Salary for April	175.00	
G. P. Coleman " " "	100.00	
W. H. H. Smith, " " "	70.00	
Librarian Petty Cash,	108.35	
Olmsted & Cone, Books,	7.50	
Jennings & Garfield, Repairs,	50.00	
Bulletin. Adv'g	8.25	
S. F. Water Co. Water for April,	18.00	
Chronicle, Adv'g,	1.75	
Reuler & Pfour for Repairing Chairs,	20.87	
Gas Co. " Gas in March,	82.95	
G. & H. Snook " Repairs to Roof,	31.50	
Morning Call " Adv'g,	2.50	
J. W. Bones, " a/c. on altering,	118.80	
Jas. Vandyke " Plastering,	19.00	
J. Stott " 50 Kits,	12.50	
J. H. O'Brien " Plumbing work	61.05	
Blume, Bell & C. " Matting, carpt, shades etc,	159.88	
Frost & Richards " Painting	13.00	
Union Gas Co. " Int. to June 9,	41.66	
Sinking Fund " 10 % of Receipts,	218.14	
Due Treasurer as per report for Apr.	697.03	
Total	$2451.28	

Leaving a balance due Treasurer this date, $269.84

San Francisco, May 30th. 872.

Henry L. Davis.
Treas.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I herewith submit my Report of the Sinking Fund for the Quarter ending May 30th. 872.

Amt received from March.	$164.48	
" " for April.	87.92	
" " May 8 mt.	218.14	
" Balance in Treasury as per report Feb. 29.	1135.62	
Total credit to Fund		$1606.16

San Francisco, May 30th., 872.

Henry L. Davis.
Treas.

There is a special deposit to the credit of the Mortgage Fund, $400, and the sum of $50 belonging to the same fund, which was credited to the Institute in December last, making $450 collected on account of the Mortgage Fund.

H. L. D.

To the President Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I herewith present my report of the Receipts and Disbursements on a/c of the Pavilion Fund for the month of May 872.

Receipts

Amt received from J. H. Gilmore, for advertisements in Fair Report in full.	$172.00
Hanscom & Co. Sale of Shafting,	67.07
Bal. in Treasury as per report for April	1137.26
Total	1770.33

Disbursements.

Paid J. K. Prior, Gas fitting, of an unsettled a/c. of 869.	$42.24
Mechanics' Institute Amt transfered to Bal.	1728.09
Total	$1770.33

San Francisco, May 30. 872.

Respt Submitted,
Henry L. Davis.
Treas.

The following Report of the Librarian for the month of May was received. Names of New Members approved. Corresponding Secretary instructed to return the thanks of the Institute for donations received, and the financial portion of the report referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to report for the month of May:

Amount received for Initiation Fees,	$ 14.00	
" " " dues Collected,	118.50	
" " " rent from J. F. Sumner,	65.00	
" " " do " C. F. Webster,	150.00	
" " " " Supper rooms 2 nights,	10.00	
" " " H. Blyth, Jr	115.00	
" " " J. Dixey, on a/c	45.00	
" " " J. O'Donnell, rent	70.00	$ 587.50
Cash on hand, May 1st, 1872.	$ 193.15	
Collections and fees in May	132.50	
Rents collected in May	455.00	$ 780.65
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer.	$ 453.35	
Petty Cash Bills paid in May	204.65	
Bal. on hand, June 1st	122.65	$ 780.65

Mr. Dixey still owes Twenty Dollars for rent, and has promised to pay this when he calls for his goods, left in the basement for a few days.

Fourteen new members have joined the Institute, viz:

W. H. Watts.	Mrs. A. Creamer.	Alfred Clark.
C. E. Forsyth.	A. C. Hammond.	C. B. Bingham.
C. W. Coulthrup.	H. Gaynor States.	Mrs. E. M. Kennard.
H. G. Freeman.	J. E. Pringdetter.	W. Summerhayes.
John V. George.	Geo. Lewiston.	

There have been added to the Library, by Purchase: Sixty nine volumes, classified as follows: Science & Art 11. Fiction 21. Biography 3. Theology 3. Dictionary 1. Poetry 3. Political Economy 2. Wit & Humor 5. History 1. Travels 3. Essays & General Literature 16.

There have been received, whether directly from the Institution or from Senator Cole, I am unable to say, the publications of the Smithsonian Institution, as follows;

Contributions to Knowledge, Vols. 1 to 17 (vol. No 7. missing)
Miscellaneous Collections, " 1 to 9 (" 3 ")
Reports 18 Vols.

I have written to Senator Cole, who franked these works through the Post Office, to inquire concerning the missing volumes.

Other donations have been received;

From Dr. H. Gibbons, Jr.
Transactions of the State Medical Society, 1870–1
Report of E. T. Wilkes, M. D. Commissioner,
in Lunacy for the State of California, 1871.

From Agapius Kaicharenks,
Vols 11 & 12, unbound, of "Land of Water."

The number of volumes with-drawn from the Library have been; Fiction 411. History 103. Periodicals 87. Poetry 72. Biography 121, Travels 118, Science 279. Religion 61. Essays and General Literature 284, French 11, German 27, Spanish 3; in all 5880.

The three months, for which it was voted to open the Library on Sundays, from 2 to 9 o'clock P. M. having expired on the 26th. of May, I beg leave to lay before you, the following detailed statement of the number of visitors, Sunday by Sunday.

March	3rd.	23	May	5th.	23.
	10th	27		12th.	25.
	17th	26		19th	18.
	24th	31		26th	27
	31st	27			
April	7th	26			
	14th	28			
	21st	25			
	28th	29			

This gives an average of nearly 26 visitors per Sunday, and of these one sixth entered the Reference Library.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. C. Kurlbut.
Librarian.

San Francisco,
June 1st 1872.

On motion it was ordered that between the hours

of 2 and 9 P.M. the Library be open hereafter on Sundays, and that the same be advertised in the Chronicle, for 4 Sundays, and in the Evening Bulletin for 4 Saturdays.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported that T. Dolan had refused to contract for the shelving and lockers. Committee also reported new proposals to do the said work – also report bids for fitting up 3rd. Story Water Closet, and proposal from Mitchell & Bell to carpet Reference Room.

Shelving and lockers awarded to O. Conrad for $200

Fitting up 3rd. story water closet, awarded to J. H. O'Brien & Co. for $35.

Proposal of Mitchell & Bell, referred back to the Committee.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts report back correct the Treasurer's Reports, for the months of May, and the Annual Report for 1871-72.

On motion, adjourned.

W. H. Williams
R. E. Selby

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute.
June 4th. 1872.

Meeting called to order, President Callidie in the Chair.

Roll call – absent. Bummer, Davis, Hopps, Kerr, Martenstein, Helen and Scott.

Reading minutes of previous two special meetings dispensed with.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts reported the following bills correct, and the same were ordered paid.

Jennings & Garfield, whitening Chess Room etc.		$20.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co. hall light burner etc.		17.50
S. D. Coleman,	Salary for May,	100.00
W. H. H. Smith,	" " "	70.00
C. C. Hurlbut.		175.00

Committee on Library Rooms and building authorized to contract with Mitchell & Bell, to carpet the Reference Library, at a cost not to exceed $218 75/100. Mitchell & Bell to take the old carpet now lying in the room.

The following Report of the Judges of Election was received, adopted and ordered spread on the minutes.

We, the undersigned Judges of Election for Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute, held at the Rooms of the same, Monday, June 3rd. 1872, do hereby certify that the whole number of Votes cast was 247.

A. S. Callidie,	received	208
H. L. Davis,	"	198
Geo. Spaulding,	"	193
Asa R. Wells,	"	197
R. B. Woodward,	"	200
A. L. Tisdale,	"	199
S. H. Wheeler,	"	195
P. L. Welt	"	52
Thos. Hemmerle	"	52
Edward Bosqui	"	24

C. S. Hall.	received	47
H. De La Bar	"	47
Josiah Moulton	"	32
W. J. Reilly	"	48

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, on this the third day of June, 1872.

John D. Ivey.
H. Rogers
J. H. Cuba.

On Motion the following gentlemen have received the Majority of all the votes cast at the election for Trustees held June 3. 1872. Were duly declared Trustees, to serve for the ensuing two years.

A. S. Hallidie. H. S. Davis
Geo. Spaulding. Asa K. Wells
R. B. Woodward. C. S. Tisdale
and S. H. Wheler.

On Motion adjourned.

W. N. Williams
Rec. Secty

Annual Meeting (adjourned) of the Institute
Hall of the Institute
June 6th. 1872.

Meeting called to order, President Hallidie, in the Chair.

Present— a Quorum.

Minutes of the Previous Quarterly Meeting and two Special meetings of the Institute read and approved as read.

The following amendment to the Constitution offered at the last meeting was read and adopted.

Section 3, Art. XII shall read.—

There shall be Quarterly Meetings of the Institute, on the first Saturday, after the first Tuesday, in the months of September, December, March and June, at such hour as the Board of Trustees may designate.

The following Annual Report of the President was read, received and ordered spread on the Minutes, and the Board of Trustees, instructed to have 1000 copies of the report printed for distribution.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

Herewith I have the honor to present my report, for the year, ending June 1st 1872. of affairs connected with the Mechanics' Institute.

At the date of my last report, one year ago, the liabilities of the Society were $41182.78 Its cash on hand 169.30 $4013.48; the largest item of which was $3700 balance due the Union Insurance Company, — as security for which they held a mortgage on the property of the Society.

I am happy to state that this amount has been reduced $32000 00/100, by the transactions of the year; so that there is owing but $5000 00/100, on account of that long standing debt; this has been further reduced by subscriptions, for Life Memberships, amounting to $2000 00/100, part of which amount is paid in and part contingent upon obtaining sufficient to clear off the whole remaining balance.

I need not urge the importance of clearing off this small balance. I have presented it so often, that the

repetition becomes wearisome; but I earnestly ask your cooperation and efforts to this end. Surely among so many members in a society like the Mechanics' Institute, sixty more Life Members can be obtained; this would then entirely remove the old score and the Society would stand clear of all indebtedness.

I do not think that your Society values Life Membership certificates, for less than $100 00/100, and I see no good reason why the Mechanics' Institute, with all its inducements should place the life membership fee, at so low a figure, as fifty dollars. The argument, that many could not afford One Hundred Dollars, is not a good one, my own obsrvations in these matters satisfy me, that all those who have paid the $ 50 00/100, could have equally as well afforded to pay $100 00/100. I hope this will receive your attention.

On account of the rapid increase of the size of your library, it has been necessary to provide more room for the books; the accumulation of valuable works of reference, such as the "Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of Great Britain" The Transactions of the Smithsonian and the Franklin Institutes, the reports of the leading Scientific Societies of the United States and Great Britain, the Complete Indexes of the British Patent Office, the Official Specification of patents issued weekly by the Patent Office Dept. at Washington, and very many other valuable works, made it necessary to separate these works and place them in a room, by themselves;- A Library of Reference; this has been done and the late reading room, having the advantage of large sliding doors of communication with the Main Library is used for this purpose.

The Chess Room, which was both small and uncomfortable has been removed to a large room, on the sunny side of the third floor; and the Reading Room has been transferred to the west side of the second floor. The various partitions having been removed, this room is now a large and cheerful Reading Room. Visitors will be able to form a better idea of the extent and value of our Library, under the present arrangement, while at the same time, it will give room for expansion.

A large number of models have just been received, from the Patent Office, and will be placed in the Reference Library Rooms, for inspection.

It is also the expectation, that the accumulation of minerals, fossils, shells and curiosities can be placed there also.

It would require, but little effort on the part of the Members of the Mechanics' Institute, to gather a valuable mineralogical collection; many knowing that the Institute desired Specimens would send them cheerfully, while others would contribute, on being solicited to do so. In the course of time, when there was a sufficient accumulation, a careful classification could be made, and from the surplus, exchanges could be effected, with other bodies, and your Society would have a creditable collection. You possess, to-day, sufficient to begin with, and I would respectfully suggest, that the start be made.

The models refused to, & those coming from the Patent Office, after they have been placed in position and classified, there will still be ample room for more. As California is full of mechanic genius, I doubt not, that many valuable models will be contributed. But a Committee of the Trustees should be appointed, whose duty it should be to specify the kind of models to be admitted; so that the collection could be sustained and increased.

During the past year, changes have occurred in the occupancy of the rooms, and some of the tenants have left, others being substituted. As before stated more room was needed, for the uses of the Society, and in order to bring this about, different arrangements had to be made with the tenants. At this date all the available portion of the building is occupied, and although the Society occupies a large room, on the third floor, for a Chess Room, and a front room, on the second floor, for Committee Room, in addition to what was previously occupied, it is at a cost of but Twenty five Dollars per month.

The Patent Office Department has designated the Mechanics' Institute, as the place of deposit for the Certified Copies of the Specifications and Drawings of Patents, issued by the United States; these volumes are issued weekly, and are received in evidence by the United States' Courts, in patent cases, and can be consulted by any one, desiring to do so, on application to the Librarian, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 10 o'clock P. M.

During the past three months, the Library has been open to members, on Sundays from 2 o'clock until 10 P. M. I believe, that all Libraries should be open, on Sundays. Many who visit worse places, for lack of better would go there; but so far, the attendance has not been good and unless it becomes more popular among the members, it will be a question, whether the Trustees will be justified in continuing the practice.

The Trustees, during the past year have been

considering a plan, to establish a School of Design;— but as the Art Association of this city has matured a scheme, to cover in part, the same ground; it was thought best not to hamper the action of that body, by interfering in any way, with its prospects of success; and for the present this has been abandoned.

There is no question in my mind, as to the necessity of offering facilities, to all those who can be induced to take up the practical facts of life for a living. That is, there should be opportunity furnished to young men and women, to study the arts, sciences and industries in a practical way; so that with little or no pecuniary cost to themselves, and in most cases following the bent of their inclination, or being guided by the condition of their lives; they can learn, that which will enable them to fight the battles of life, by honestly earning their bread.

Now, most young men *must*, if they will or their parents will it, learn trades, and become machinists, blacksmiths, carpenters or what not:— but with young women, it is otherwise, they cannot be expected to become, any of the above trades. But what should prevent them, becoming compositors draftswomen, or women designers? or architects, photographers etc.? Certainly nothing should prevent this; and nothing does, save the absence first, of the proper means of tuition; second, a proper public sentiment respecting this.

I can see no good reason why equal facilities and opportunities, in all which relate to technical and industrial education, should not be given to women, as to men. But the public sentiment of San Francisco, is not favorable to industrial education, however it may stand affected towards technical, it is neither fashionable or popular to have boys and girls learn trades:— nor do parents or guardians tolerate it, even from a sense of duty. It is as true, as unfortunate, that in the city of San Francisco, this is so. Unless the young people of this city are taught trades, what will become of its manufactures? And if its manufactures are lost, how can a controlling population be supported, on commerce simply, or exchange? These are subjects of serious thought, for its citizens, who should consider how far each one may be responsible, for the general result.

The nomadic artizan, to whom one place is as good as another, and who lacking all the family ties, or boyish associations, belonging to one growing up in this city, naturally & properly seeks the place, that temporarily offers him the highest remuneration, for his services and skill, while on the other hand our young citizen takes pride in this city, if he is fortunate in having learned, and the community fortunate in having him taught a trade, he can and will by the natural

condition of his surroundings, foster, cherish and elevate that trade, for his own sake, and for the sake of art.

No line of argument will convince weak ambitious parents, that their youngster should be educated for the industries of life, rather than for its amenities; the former may become the latter, but the positions are rarely reversed.

The city and state is becoming full of lawyers, doctors and others, who ape the professional, Many, who are educated to-day, as Civil Engineers, whose knowledge rarely extends beyond the drawing board and theories; and why is this? It is because a weak and maudlin sentiment condemns the dirty hand of industrial labor, and compels the growing youths of this city, to live by their wits, rather than their talents.

Where is our boasted individual independance, when we permit society to dictate such terms to us? And when to-day we see the Sons of reigning Germany, and other Princes serving apprenticeship to artizans, and thereby becoming worthy mechanics. Is not this rebuke enough? or do our citizens prefer to wait until disaster overtakes them from the listlessness of the generation to follow?

During the past winter, a Course of Lectures were delivered, by the Professors of the State University, in the Hall of the Mechanics' Institute, before what was called the College of Mechanical Arts. These lectures were well attended, being the second course, and they have awakened a marked interest in the subjects treated;— which however were only general. And while they answered the purpose, for which they were intended, should, I think, next winter give way to lectures, on special subjects. But as lectures on special subjects would necessitate a lecture, at least, every other evening, while the attendance would be proportionately smaller. It could scarcely come within the ability of the Professors of the State University, to devote their time; hence the aid of other teachers would could be required.

I cannot help but think, that the State University should be more practical in its teachings, and should provide more energetically, for its immediate tuition, in practical, or experimental branches of mining, agriculture and other mechanical arts, and that these subjects of so much importance to California, should not be so entirely overshadowed by the College of Letters. However, I am still firm in the conviction that the proper place, for the State University is San Francisco, I see but little hope of its partaking of any thing near the

character of an Industrial University, if entirely located, so far from the Metropolis, as Berkley.

I have often asked myself the question, what has been done during the last ten years, by the people, or government of the United States, or this State, for the Industrial Classes? And the answer, save in one instance, absolutely, nothing. It seems everything is tending to vast concentration; operations, that were hailed as blessings, become grinding monopolies; - laws that were passed for benefits turn into evils, and all seem to result in a discrimination, as against the laboring classes. It is too true, also that under the influence of designing politicians, the masses rush forward to their support and the condemnation of themselves.

Horace Hawes, whose early life was a series of bitter experience in the trials of poverty and adversity and ignorance, many years ago, with the recollection of the disadvantages he had labored under, fresh in his mind, and with the prospect of wealth and prosperity fairly dawning on him, matured a plan, for the amelioration of the condition of the Industrial Classes; - intending if it should ever be his fortune to be able, to found an institution, having that for its aim. And to this end, a number of months, before his death, he bequeathed to the Industrial Classes of San Francisco, by trust deed, a block of land in the heart of this city; and I cannot do better, than copy his instructions in relation thereto; he says, - "First and foremost the object of said Institution must be confined and steadily directed to the object and result herein before precisely expressed, which are not directly to relieve want, but to prevent it and to ameliorate the condition of those, who exist by manual labor."

"Second. - It shall be the leading object of the Institution, without compensation, or reward to seek useful employment, for all, who seek it and to encourage and to invite to industry, all who are proven to be idle or indolent, and to these ends its special efforts shall be directed.

"Third. The effort of the Institution shall likewise be directed to procure that all shall be instructed and trained from childhood to some suitable occupation, whereby they can obtain an honest living."

"Fourth. Systematic provision shall be made by said Institution gratuitously to instruct and inform the laboring classes, in the best plans and modes of construction, for their dwellings, barns, stalls, shops and their buildings, so as to render them most healthful and convenient, at least practicable expense, and in all things else, as far as practicable how their labor can be economized and most effectually applied, and so without lessening the industry - lighten the toils, and increase the health, comfort and happiness

of all classes of laboring men and women."

"Fifth. In said Institution shall be collected and preserved the most extensive and minute statistics of information, respecting every branch of industry, and the information thus collected shall be gratuitously imparted in all time and to all persons. To facilitate the operations of said Institution, it shall have established, as need and occasion upon appropriate and convenient apartments, bureaus and offices, and an assembly chamber of sufficient capacity in which information and instruction shall be regularly disseminated by means of public addresses and lectures, and for the same purpose it is also contemplated that publications will be issued by the Institution."

In pursuance of the objects of the donor, the Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce of Industry have graded the block of land, in their possession, and bounded by Ninth, Tenth, Harrison and Bryant Streets, and will in due time carry out the provisions of the trust.

I believe, that this is the only tangible and substantial gift, in aid of the Industrial Classes, yet made in this state, and it is to be hoped, it may be followed by others.

Your Society has done well, and is doing a good work, but unassisted by pecuniary aid, its work must necessarily be that of time.

A grand Universal Exhibition will be held in Vienna, opening May 1st 1873, and closing Oct 31st same year. The Austrian Government earnestly invite the cooperation of the United States, as this will be the Exhibition of that year. I take this opportunity of drawing your attention to it.

In regard to the future Industrial Exhibition of this Society, your Trustees have had the matter, under consideration, at various times. They are unanimously of the opinion, that a permanent exhibition site should be procured and a building of sufficient capacity erected thereon; and although many plans have been suggested, yet there have been none, which satisfy the requirements of your Society.

Under no consideration should the Mechanics' Institute involve itself, in any pecuniary obligation. While these Industrial Fairs have been of benefit to your Society, it has been, so only through great sacrifices, on the part of its officers, and the benefits derived by the Association are but small compared to the benefits accrued to the City.

Efforts should be made to raise by subscription, or some similar means, sufficient to purchase the land necessary.

A number of gentlemen have indicated their willingness to contribute to this object, and although, this year it will be a hard work, it can, with proper effort, be accomplished.

In order to hold a Fair in the Fall of 1874, the preliminary steps should be taken, as soon as the plans of operation are determined on. Meantime, in order to continue the purchasing of technical works suitable for your Library, some means should be adopted to raise a special revenue.

Large acquisitions have been made to the Library Dpt. within the past three years, and that rate of increase cannot be increased, solely from the regular revenue.

During the past year, there have been added to your Library 1916 volumes. Classified as follows:-

Science and Art	726.	Poetry and Drama	140.
Fiction,	607.	Travels,	73.
Reports,	19.	Law and Political Ec-	27.
Essays & General Literature,	143.	Wit & Humor	16.
Biography,	80.	Encyclopedia & Dictionary	10.
History	59.	Bound Periodicals	83

Sundries 83.

The will give a total of 18923 volumes, by adding the previous count. As this does not allow for losses from various causes, an actual count has been had, and there is, at this date, in good order 17239 volumes, belonging to your Society, showing a loss from various causes, from the establishment of the Library of 1684 volumes.

The number of members, who have joined during the past year is 375, and your Membership Roll, now contains 1231 names.

The financial statement of the Society, for the year ending May 31st. 1872.

Institute Fund.

Receipts.

Balance May 31st. 871	$330.10	
Rents	6833.50	
Dues, Membership etc	3952.64	
Pavilion Fund	1728.09	$11844.33

Disbursements.

Insurance,	$655.25	
Interest,	416.62	
Books,	3114.10	
News papers,	771.33	
Advertising	199.50	
Furniture & Supplies	420.58	
Petty Cash, books, stationery &c	$973.90	
Water,	198.00	
Gas,	512.05	
Improvements & Repairs,	1417.00	
Printing	157.00	
Book Binding,	607.75	
Sinking Fund,	1456.39	
Salaries,	4160.00	
Sundries,	105.00	$15764.17
Due Treasurer May 31st		319.84
	Total	$11844.33

Sinking Fund.

Receipts.

Bal. on hand May 31st. 1871.	$1364.50	
10% of receipts for the year.	1456.39	$2820.89

Disbursements.

City & Co. personal taxes 1870 & 71.	$356.40	
" " Real Estate " " "	838.33	$1214.73
Bal. in Treasury May 31st 1872.		$1606.16

Pavilion Account.

Receipts.

Bal. May 31st 1871.	$115.12	
Rent from Mechanics Annex League,	30.00	
Sale of old lumber etc,	10.88	
Sale of Boiler, Fixtures, Building etc.	3824.23	
H. H. Harley, rent of Pavilion,	750.00	
Bal. transferred from Carnival Balls,	1352.73	
" " " 8th. Ind. Fair	11445.93	
H. P. Herrick on a/c. sale of building,	1171.00	
J. H. Prior, for gas pipe,	1100.00	
Looking Glass,	4.00	
Shields,	47.00	
Advertising in Fair Report.	772.00	
Sale of Shafting	161.07	$20753.96

Disbursements.

Salary, Janitor etc,	$186.00	
Amt paid Chicago Relief,	1000.00	
Compiling and correcting Fair Reports,	190.00	
Printing, Binding, Telegraphing &c	1344.70	
Discount on $1000. Gas Meter,	180.00	
Salary of Gas Supt at Fair,	80.50	
Medals	9.25	
Book-Keeper at Fair	50.00	
Advertising & Printing	186.25	
Janitors, Petty Cash at Fair	6.00	

Engrossing Diplomas	$22.60	
J. K. Bier, unsettled bill of 1869.	42.24	
B. Quantsch, Sundries for Burke.	388.33	
Union Ins. Co. on Mortgage.	1000.00	
City & County, for fencing & grading Union Square	1400.00	
Transferred to Institute, to bal.	1728.09	$20753.96

The Assets and Liabilities of the Society are as follows;—

Assets

Lot and Building on Post St.	$115000.00	
Library,	23500.00	
Furniture & Fixtures,	6000.00	
Cash on hand in Sinking Fund.	606.16	
" in " of Librarian,	122.65	
Dues unpaid & collectable.	1400.00	$146628.81

Liabilities.

Bal. due on Mortgage,	$5000.00	
Due Treasurer, Cash advanced.	319.84	
Bills audited, but not paid,	759.44	
Bills not audited. Salaries for May.	345.00	$6424.28

Net Assets. $140204.53

By referring to my Report of June 1st 69, it will be seen, that the Net Assets of the Society, at that time was 113,540.53 poo Dollars. The sum of Thirty Two Thousand Dollars was paid on the mortgage.

In addition to the foregoing is the sum of Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars, paid in on account of Life Membership.

Fund for the reduction of the debt.

Monthly regular payments,	$395.00	
Membership,	496.10	$1091.00
The monthly expenses are	$995.00	
Leaving a monthly balance of contingent for purchase of books and extra repairs etc of		$96.10

During the past year large expenditures ($1417 poo) have been made in alteration and repairs, which it is expected will obviate further outlay for some time. The expenditure for books was also large about ($1000 poo) but, if kept within the limit of our means, cannot be too large for the good of

the Society.

It is a source of congratulation, that the affairs of the Society, are in so flourishing a condition: but to keep it in the front ranks, will require continued vigilance, energy and economy, on part of the Trustees.

In conclusion, I respectfully tender my thanks, for the courtesy and kindness of the members, during the past term, and trust that this Institute may continue in the path it has chosen, to the credit of all concerned.

A. S. Ellidie.

Hon. Wm. Alvord, Chairman of the Installing Committee, now took the Chair, and proceeded with the installation of the newly elected Trustees.

The new Trustees duly subscribed to the Oath required and set forth, in the Constitution of the Institute, duly attested by the Installing Committee, and after a few and very appropriate and entertaining remarks and injunctions, delivered by Irving M. Scott, Esq. the meeting was adjourned.

A. S. Williams
Rec. Secty

Meeting of New Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
June 6th 1872.

Mr. H. L. Davis, called to the chair and W. H. Williams acted as Secretary Pro Tem.—

Roll called, present— Williams, Jones, Bassett, Hartenstein, Nelson, Patrick, Callidie, Davis, Spaulding, Wills, Woodward, Tisdale and Wheeler.

The Board was duly organized, by the election of the following officers, viz;—

President	A. S. Callidie.
Vice President	Jas. C. Patrick.
Treasurer	H. L. Davis.
Recording Secretary	S. H. Wheeler
Corresponding Secretary.	H. L. Jones.

On motion, the thanks of the Board were tendered to the retiring Recording Secretary, for past services rendered.

On motion adjourned.

W. S. Williams
Rec. Secty

Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
July 2d 1872

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie in the Chair.

Present a Quorum.

Minutes of the Meeting of June 6th read and approved with the following corrections.

Vice President James C Patrick
Cor. Secretary H. W. Jones

The President announced the appointment of Standing Committees as follows:-

On Library Room & Building
Messrs - Williams - Wells & Tredale.

On Ways Means & Accounts
Messrs Bassett - Woodward & Nelson

On Books and Donations.
Messrs. Spaulding Brunner & Woodward

On Lectures and Classes
Messrs Martenstein, Wells & Brunner

A communication from the 4th of July committee was received and referred to the Cor. Secy. to acknowledge

A Communication from E. A. Forgo in relation to a lot of land for exhibition purposes was received and ordered to be placed on file.

A Communication from J. W. Bones in reference to claims against the Institute was received and laid on the table.

The following Bills having been audited were presented by the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts;

G. C. Hurlburt	Librarian	$175.00
G. P. Coleman	Asst. do.	$100.00
W. H. N. Smith	Janitor	$70.00
Spring Valley Water Works		$18.00
S. F. Gas Co.		$74.55

On motion it was ordered the Treasurer be drawn on to pay these accounts.

The following Report of the Treasurer was read and on motion received and referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:- I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for June 1872

Receipts

On ape of Rents		701.00
" " " Collections		450.
	Total	1151.

Disbursements

Acct Paid				
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	for Books	4.10		
Olmstead & Cone	" do.	4.75		
W. J. Keney & Co.	" 1 doz Chairs	35.		
Jennings & Garfield	" Repairing	30.		
E. Bosqui & Co.	" Binding	49.50		
P. Merrill	" Cleaning Carpet	12.75		
G. W. Quinn	" Hardware	7.15		
A. Roman & Co.	" Books	75.60		
Librarian	" Petty Cash	68.		
"	" " Books &c	136.65		
G. C. Hurlburt	" Salary for May	175.		
G. P. Coleman	" ditto	100.		
W. H. N. Smith	" ditto	70.		
Water Co.	" Water for May	18.		
J. H. O'Brien	" Hall lights &c	17.50		
Jennings & Garfield	" Whitening Chess Room	20.		
W. De La Barr	" Labor &c	16.60		
S. F. Gas Co.	" Gas for April	70.65		
Union Ins. Co.	" Int to July 9	41.66		
Sinking Fund	" 10% of Receipts	115.10		
Balance due Treasurer as per report for May		26984	1357	87

leaving balance due Treasurer to this date $.206 25

San Francisco June 29th 1872

Respectfully Submitted

Signed Henry L. Davis
Treas.

The Librarians Report – following – was read and on motion received and referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen.

I beg leave to report for the month of June, as follows:

Amount received for Initiation fees				$ 19.00
do. " for Dues Collected				713.10
do " from C. F. Webster, rent				150.00
do. " " J. F. Snow do				70.00
do. " " J. Blyth Jr. do. $120.00				
less rent of hall Annual meeting			9.00	111.00
do " from C. E. Hinckley rent				125.00
do. " " J. O'Donnell do.				70.00
do. " " Thos. Hill do.				60.00
				$1318.10

Cash in hand June 1st	327.00
Collections in June	732.10
Rents Collected in June	586.00
	1645.40

Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1151.00
Petty Cash Bills in June	232.05
To Balance on hand July 1st	272.35
	1645.40

new members have joined the Institute, viz:-

Mrs. W. B. Cross	N. J. Judah	Henry Kessler
W. J. McCormell	F. V. Harbaugh	Chas. Krahelez
F. P. Muller	S. P. Cutter	A. Austen
C. C. Chamberlain	C. C. Hogan	J. F. Duval
W. Cullen	Peter Souter	G. F. Pearce
G. A. Dobinson	Lulu Whiting	E. A. Atwood
H. Perkins		

There have been added to the Library, by purchase One hundred and thirty two volumes, classified as follows:- Fiction 78 (24 German), History 6, Biography 6, Travels 4, Science & Art 13, Poetry 4, Government & Political Economy 3, Theology 2, Philisophy 2. Law 1, Essays and General Literature 9, Dictionary 1, Wit & Humor .3- Besides these there have been added 3 volumes of the new Issue of Patents, under date of Feb. 6-13- and 20-1872

Donations have been received of

C. H. Wakeley
Front buttons, by Seth Green.

J. H. Burke
Public Land Laws, relating to Sale and Management of Lands belonging to the State of California.

Washington Bartlett
Proceedings of the First Annual Meeting of the National Board of Trade. Dec. 1871

The volumes taken from the Library number, as follows:- Fiction 4,572 – History 127 – Periodicals 112 – Poetry 91 – Travel 129 – Biography 118 – Science and Art 291 – Religion 54 – Essays and General Literature 302 – French 119 – German 25 – Spanish 2; in all 5942.

Respectfully submitted
Signed — G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
July 1st 1872

On motion the names of new members mentioned in the Librarians Report were approved.

Moved – Seconded and Passed that 1000 copies of the Presidents Address and Report be printed.

Bids for ditto were presented by Mr. Spaulding They were read and on motion referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts with power to accept the bid of B. F. Sterrett of $30.

On motion it was ordered that a Committee be appointed to inquire as to a location and a time for the next exhibition.

On motion adjourned
S. H. Wheeler Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Tuesday July 16th 1872

President Wallidie in the chair.
Roll called — Present a Quorum
Absent Patricks - Davis - Brunner -
Martinstien - Nelson and Woodward

Reading of minutes dispensed with.

Committees on
Building,
Books and Donations,
Ways Means and Accounts,
Lectures and Classes
reported progress.

A communication was read from Mr. P. Mezzara offering to the Institute a Plaster Medallion of the late F. L. A. Pioche.

On motion the medallion was received and it was ordered that the Cor. Secy. tender to Mr. Mezzara the thanks of the board.

On motion it was ordered that the Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, protect the medallion and place it in a prominent place in the Building.

A communication was received from S. Frigil in reference to renting a store in the Building of the Institute., Referred to the Com. on Library Rooms and Building with power to act.

Sundry Bills were presented by minnities of the Committees on and on

On motion the Rules were waived and the bills received.

The Bill of Jennings & Barfield was referred back to the Committee on Library Rooms and Building.

The following Bills were ordered to be paid:—

J. Kehoe	$13.14
Mitchell & Bell	218.75
Whittier, Fuller & Co.	5.00
Wells, Russell & Co.	4.50
Locke & Montague	7.63
Morriss Schwabe & Co	19.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	46.00
Spaulding & Barto	5.00
Francis & Valentine	6.50
Cubery & Co.	3.00
Chas. W. Gordon	6.00
Alta California — Comercio	11.70
Comercio de San Francisco	4.00
Daily Evening Post	8.00
Frederic Hess & Co.	4.00
F. McC. Cornelius & Co.	1.00
S.F. Bulletin Co.	17.00
S.F. Chronicle	15.00
Daily Morning Call	20.00
E.A. Dewing	1.35
Cal. Republican	10.00
Cal. Republican	1.00
F. McC. Cornelius & Co.	12.25
Wm S. Moss & Co.	7.50
W. Co. Dennis	170.78
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	77.96
A. Roman & Co.,	87.42
F. W. & D. Barkhaus	35.00
Librarians Petty Cash	44.90
D. Heerich & Co.	21.25
Olmstead & Cone	15.47

The President appointed the following gentlemen as a Special Committee on a Future Exhibition.
James C. Patrick
Asa R. Wells
R. B. Woodward.

The Communication of J. W. Bones was on motion, raised from the table and read.
It was received and referred to the Com. on Library Rooms and Building to report at next meeting.

Over

On motion it was ordered that the Cor. Sec. notify the Exhibition Committee of their appointment.

The Recording Secretary was, on motion, ordered to notify or direct the attention of members of the Board absent two consecutive meetings to Section 10 of Article II of the Constitution.

On motion adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Sec.

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
August 6th 1872

Meeting called to order by the President in the Chair.

Present at Roll Call a Quorum — The whole Board present during the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved

On motion the following current bills, not audited were taken up and passed, viz:—

G. C. Hamlbut — Librarian —	July	Salary	$175,00
G. P. Coleman — Asst ditto	"	"	100.00
W. H. N. Smith — Janitor	"	"	70.00
Spring Valley Water Co.	"	Water	18,00
S. F. Gas Co.		Gas	73.15
Librarians Petty Cash			42.85
" " "		Paper &c	22.75
			$501.75

On motion it was ordered that the Treasurer be drawn on for the payment of the foregoing Bills.

The Bill of J. M. Eastfeldt & Co. was presented and on motion accepted.

Ordered that the Treasurer be drawn on for the amount $11,00

The Bill of Swain for Refreshments served to judges of Election $8,00 was on motion accepted.

On motion ordered that the Treasurer be drawn on for the amount.

Other Bills not audited were on motion laid over until next meeting.

The Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported that the Bill of J. W. Bones was legally due for the full amount.
They also reported the Bill of Jennings & Garfield to be in accordance with the written agreement.
On motion the Report was accepted and Mr. Bones' Bill was referred to the Auditing Committee to be audited for $20.00

The Building Committee also reported that no arrangements had been made with Mr. Figel as to renting a store in the Building — He had taken a new store.

Moved seconded and passed that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the amount of the Bill of Jennings & Garfield $55,00

The Committee on Books & Donations reported and presented the following report of the Librarian: — which was read and on motion received.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen: —
I beg leave to report for the month of July, as follows:—

Amount received for Initiation Fees	$45.00
" " " dues collected	527.50
" " of G. F. Webster for Rent	150.00
" " " J. F. Snow " "	70,00
" " " Thos Neill, 8 days rent of room on 3d Flor - to July 5th	16.00
" " of G. Blyth Jr. for rent	120.00
" " " W. G. Badger, for rent of small room w basement 6 mos to July 1st	30.00
" " of J. O'Donnell. for rent	70.00
	$1028.50

Obs

Cash on hand July 1st	$494.40
" received for dues and Initiation Fees	572.50
" " " rents collected	456.00
	$1522.90
Cash paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1432.05
Petty Cash Bills for July	65.60
Cash on hand Aug 1st	25.25 $1522.90

Mr. Heinekey paid Eighty two 50/100 Dollars on account of rent for the month of July, on the 2d inst and still owes Forty two 50/100 Dollars, besides the rent for the month of August.

Forty Five new members have joined the Institute viz:

William Lewis	J. S. Campbell	A. B. Canfield
R. J. Tidmarsh	J. H. Pleace	Mrs. Lavinia Dunn
Mrs. N. H. Thatcher	George Teschke	H. C. Hinds
W. A. Irwin	Charles Hinkle	Mrs. S. J. Webber
J. Lalonze	Fritz Peipers	James Leggett
S. M. Robinson	Miss. C. J. Blethen	C. H. Payson
Howard Morton	Edward Sanders	Archer Parry
Mrs. M. R. Ward	J. R. Middlesworth	A. H. Rogers
Miss. M. F. Smith	J. A. Heath	Wm Lux. Cox
W. C. Wynn-Williams	Mrs. S. P. Nisvell	Thos. J. Reagan
Chas. F. Clark	James J. Whelan	Miss. Annie J. Gunn
F. W. Grimm	T. L. Benjamin	J. F. Hughes
P. H. O'Brien	Miss. Julia C. Smith	Amidée Benoit
W. Burke	Mrs. James Root	John S. McCann
Newell Winants	John Sherwood	Thos. Cathcart.

These have been added to the Library by purchase Eighty Volumes, classified as follows: Fiction 44, Essays and General Literature 10, Wit & Humor 1, Dictionary 1, Poetry 1, Science and Art 19, Travels 2, Theology 1, History 1,

Donations have been received as follows:-

from Washington Bartlett

Report of Committee of Chamber of Commerce, New York, on Relief for Population of France, May 1872

Annual Reports to the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco submitted May 14th 1872

from National Prison Association

International Congress on the Prevention and Repression of Crime, including Penal and Reformatory Treatment; Preliminary Report of the Commission &c. 1872

from G. W. Kendall No. 6.

Report of Committee, and evidence taken in the matter of the Sutro Tunnel. 1872

The volumes taken from the Library number; Fiction 4,718, History 145, Periodicals 123, Poetry 97, Biography 147, Travels 159, Science and Art. 308, Religion 77, Essays and General Literature 312, French 129, German 50, Spanish 5; in all 6.270.

Respectfully submitted

Signed G. C. Hurlbut, Librarian

San Francisco August 6th 1872

On motion the names submitted were approved. On motion the Report was ordered to be spread on the minutes and the Financial part referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

The Treasurers Report was read and on motion received, accepted and ordered to be spread on the Minutes, and referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Accounts

To the President and Board of Trustees of The Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:-

I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of July 1872.

Receipts

On a/c of Rents	456.00
" " " Collections	976.05
Total	1432.05

Disbursements

Agnt.	Paid		
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for June		175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "		100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" " "		70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash		177.15
Wm. Hayes	Costs in the Kaleen Suit		100.00
F. McCrellish	adv.		4.01
	Carried Forward		626.15

Amount Brot. Forward		626.15
Water Co.	Water for June	18.00
J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing &c.	46.00
Morning Call	Adv.	20.00
Olmsteed & Lane	Books	15.47
Roman & Co.	"	87.42
F. W. & D. Bartlehaus	"	35.00
Bulletin	Adv	17.00
Chronicle	"	15.00
Comm. de San Francisco	"	4.00
Morris Schwat & Co.	Cleaning Photographs	19.00
Comm. Alta Cal.	Subscription	11.70
G. W. Gordon	Printing	6.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	44.90
Mitchell & Bell	Carpets	218.75
Evening Post	Advt.	8.00
Cal. Republican	"	11.00
Gas Co.	Gas for May	74.55
Francis & Valentine	Printing	6.50
Bancroft & Co.	Books	77.96
Whittier Fuller & Co.	Draw Plate	5.00
Locke & Montague	Pipe & Sabre	7.63
Wells Russell & Co.	Worked Redwood	4.50
F. Hess & Co.	Advt.	4.00
Ewbery & Co.	Printing	3.00
W. S. Moss & Co.	Advt	7.50
Spaulding & Barto	Printing	5.00
Mins Insurance Co.	Interest to July 9th	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	143.20
Balance due Treasurer upon Report for June		206.85
leaving balance due	Total	1790.74
leaving due Treasurer at this date		358.69

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas

(Signed)

In the matter of $100 law expenses, referred to above the Presidents action was, on motion approved.

The Committee on a Future Exhibition reported various lots as presented to them for purchase as location for Future Exhibition Building.

The President stated the Assessor had set the Assessment on the lot from $65.000 down to $60.000 and on the Building from $35.000 down to $20.000

On motion it was ordered that the Com. on Lectures and Classes provide papers to be read at the following quarterly meeting of the Institute.

On motion adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees, at the Rooms of the Institute August 20th 1872

Meeting called to order by President Halliday in the Chair.

In the absence of the Secretary Mr Williams acted in that capacity.

Roll call, absent Davis, Jones Wheeler Bowman, Nelson & Woodward —

Reading of the minutes dispensed with.

Committee on Library, Room and Building reported having paid J. H. Bone his claim in full viz. $20. — approved.

Committee on Books and Donations reported in matter of Catalogue of the Books in the Library, that the same would comprise about 150 pages and would cost about $3. per page of 1000 copies — The preparing of the same would require the most interrupted attention of the Librarian for the period of few weeks, which would necessitate the employment of some one to assist in the Library. The Committee would recommend the immediate compiling and printing of the Catalogue — Report accepted and action in the same made the special order for the next meeting.

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts reported back the Treasurer Report for the month of June as correct, and reported the following bills correct which were ordered paid.

~~Librarian Petty Cash July Books &c 22.75~~
~~ditto July Ways Means & Acct. 42.85~~

(Ord

Bills Passed.

Bulletin	Adv.	9.50
Olmstead Cone & Co.	Books	3.13
Chronicle	Adv.	6.00
Dewey & Co.	Books.	10.00
Ammerman & Howell	Books	11.10
Bulletin Comm	Paper & July 6th	26.25
Plum Bell & Co.	Coal & Duster	7.50
Frost & Richards	Painting	16.00
Payot, Upham & Co.		8.20
B.F. Sterett.	Printing Pres. Report	30.00
A.L. Bancroft & Co.	Books	58.68
H Keller & Co.	Encyclopedias.	22 80
A. Roman & Co.	Books	38.56

On Motion the Committee on Lectures & Classes together with the President were authorized to make terms with and endeavor & if possible to obtain the services of Prof. Agassiz to lecture or give a course of lectures for the benefit of the Institute.

Committee on Site for the Future Pavilion reported further Plan of Lands.

Committee on Library Room & Building were instructed to report at the next meeting a plan for furnishing the meeting room of the Trustees and the cost of the same.

On Motion adjourned

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute at the Rooms of the Institute Sept. 3rd 1872

Meeting called to order by the President. Roll Call — Absent Brunner, Davis, Masterson and Nelson

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building presented their following report which

was read and on motion received and the recommendations adopted.

In reference to the plan for furnishing Trustees' Room, the Committee reported, recommending the purchase of large School desks, at Nine Dollars apiece.

On motion, the Report was received and laid upon the table.

The Committee on Wage, Means and Accounts presented their Quarterly Report, which was, on motion, received and ordered spread on the minutes.

San Francisco, August 31st, 1872.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.
Gentlemen:

Your Committee would respectfully present the following Report for the Quarter ending Aug 31st, 1872.

The Receipts for the quarter amount to Three Thousand, three hundred and eighty three Dollars ($3383.30), as follows:

Rent for June	$701.00	
Dues for do	450.00	$1151.00
Rent for July	456.00	
Dues for do	976.05	1432.05
Rent for August	535.00	
Dues for do	265.25	800.25
		$3383.30

The expenditures for the same time have been as follows:

Advertising	$ 116.60	
Binding	256.20	
Books	493.95	
Furniture	18.50	
Gas	231.00	
Improvements	406.52	
Interest	124.98	
Newspapers	263.65	
Petty Expenses	255.00	
Law Suit	100.00	
Printing	56.50	
Salaries	1035.00	
Sinking Fund	338.32	
Water	54.00	$3744.20

Showing a Deficit for the quarter of $360.90.

All of which is Respectfully Submitted.

L.D. Babcock, R.B. Woodward } Committee of Ways, Means & Accounts.

The Quarterly Report of the Committee on Books and Donations was presented. On motion, it was received and ordered spread upon the minutes.

San Francisco, September 2d, 1872.

The Committee on Books and Donations submit their Report for the Quarter ending August 31st, 1872.

The number of books added to the Library the past three months is 338. The number taken from the Library is 16,859.

This shows a healthy state of feeling and an appreciation of the benefits derived from an Institution like this.

In our last report your Committee expressed their regret that more funds could not be available for the purchase of books.

When it is considered that more than three-fifths of all moneys expended by the Committee is for periodicals and binding — and this amount seems to be absolutely necessary — it can readily be seen that the amount actually expended for books is in reality very small. Not many books have been purchased the past quarter, except new publications, and those of actual necessity.

It will be noticed that the bill for binding, for the past month, is larger than is usual. This is in part owing to the July bill being added to that of August, — some sixty dollars — and the binding of some very valuable books, as well as that of the city newspapers. The matter of Catalogue having been made the special order for this meeting, your Committee would urge the matter strongly for the immediate printing of the said Catalogue, as being an absolute necessity. The expences of Printing seems to be the only objection, if, indeed, there be any objection.

The cost, it is estimated, will be between $450.00 and $500.00; but the proceeds arising from the sale of the books should be something for at least a year after they are printed. We would therefore recommend that the copy be immediately prepared, and the Librarian be allowed such assistance as he may require to enable him to complete the compilation; also that bids be had for the printing of the same, of one thousand copies — 500 of said copies to be bound in plain paper covers, and the balance to remain in sheets, or otherwise as may be determined by the Board.

The Committee would call the attention of the Board to the keeping open the Library rooms on Sunday. It seems to at least one of the Committee that the slim attendance of the members on that day hardly warrants a continuance. It seems that the project has been fairly tried, and has been a failure. The attendance does not increase, as it was supposed it would, as it became more generally known. The Committee has no recommendation to make in regard to the matter, and only refer to it here as a matter to be considered by the Board. The Committee would

refer to the remarks of the Librarian, in his monthly report for May, as applicable at this time, in which he gave a list of members for the days on which the Library was opened. In justice to the Librarians, we will say that we have heard no complaints from them in regard to this matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

George Spaulding } Committee
Robert B. Woodward } Books and Donations.

The Report of the Committee on Lectures and Classes being in order, the President stated on behalf of the Committee that Prof. Agassiz had been communicated with in reference to lectures on behalf of the Institute, and that he had declined lecturing.

The Special Committee on a Site for a Pavilion for the next Fair submitted their Report, which was received and ordered to be placed on file.

The Librarian's Report for August was received and the names of new members of the Institute approved. The financial portion was on motion referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Directors
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to report for the month of August, as follows:

Amount received for Initiation fees		$ 34.00
Do " for dues collected		231.25
Do " from J. O. Shorb, for rent		70.00
Do " from C. D. Webster " "		150.00
Do " from J. O'Donnell " "		70.00
Do " from H. Blythe Jr " "		120.00
Do " from C. E. Hinckley " "		125.00
		$ 800.25
Balance on hand, August 1st		$ 90.85
Dues collected in August		265.25
Rents " " "		535.00
		$ 891.10
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$ 778.10	
Petty Cash Bill in August	69.60	
Balance on hand, Sept 1st	43.40	891.10

Mr Hinckley has not yet paid anything on account of rent for the month of August.

Thirty four new members have joined the Institute:

Frank E. Brown	H.T. Gregory	John W. Laughlin
Mrs Geo. N. Ryder	Miss M.J. Leslie	Mrs E.S. Brooks
E.B. Williams	M.L. De Voe	Mrs E.J. McLean
Geo. Comstock	S.D. Draper	David Haman
H. Spencer	S. Prentner	David Bell
Geo. Deina	Henry Bartz	Richard Nicholls
W.H. Martin	John Stratman	Miss M.L. Treat
Nelson Dike	Miss A. Coolidge	Jas. W. Dugan
Julius Pratstone	William Harrell	Carter Houston
John Symmes	A.J. Bennett	J.B. Ward
F.D. Atkins	Mrs S.J. Call	C.J. Ryan
Geo. D. Reid		

There have been added to the Library, by purchase, fifty six volumes, classified as follows: Fiction 33, Biography 1, Essays and General Literature 4, Poetry 3, Travels 3, Science and Art 12.

Donations have been received

from Hon. E. Cassenly:

Report U.S. Coast Survey 1868, Smithsonian Report 1869-70,
Report, Department Interior 1869-70, 1870-1, Part 1, 1871-2, Parts 1 and 2.
Report, Department of State 1870-1, 1871-2.
Report, Department of War 1869-70, Part 2, 1870-1, Parts 1 & 2, 1871-2.
Report, Department of Navy and Post Office, 1869-70, 1871-2.
Report, Department of Finance, 1869, 1870, 1871.
Report Land Office, 1869
Report on Commercial Relations, 1870.
Report, Bureau of Statistics, 1871.
Report, Do Do on Immigration, 1871.
Report, Commissioner of Education, 1871.
Raymond's Mineral Resources West of the Rocky Mountains, 1871.
Statistics of Population, Ninth Census, Tables I–VIII, 1870.
Navy Register, 1871, 1872.
Army Register, Jany 1871, Jany 1872.
Memorial Addresses on Death of Hon. John Covode.
Acts and Resolutions of the U.S. of America, passed at the 3d Session of the 41st, and 1st Session of the 42d Congress.

from J.I. Robbins:

The Comprehensive Speaker, The Life that Now Is, The Federal Government, Its Officers and Their Duties, Bacon's Essays, Half-Hours with Modern Scientists, Shakespeare's Henry the Eighth, Thoughts for the Young Men of America, Unity in Variety, Third Biennial Message of H.G. Blasdel, Governor of Nevada, J.J. Phillips' Eppleton's, Mine's and Metallurgist's Companion, Vol 1. (all published), Nicholson's Zoology, The New Testament Manual, Raymond's Mines, Mills and Furnaces, 1871, Our English Bible, The Hollow Globe, Art, Its Laws and Its Rewards

for them, The Works of L.G. Landon, Animal and Vegetable Parasites of the Human Skin and Hair; Paralysis and other Affections of the Nerves.

from Bowen R. Campbell

Iron Journey through Italy and Switzerland.

All these donations have been duly acknowledged.

The Library has circulated during the month 4973 Novels and Romances, 169 Histories, 131 Periodicals, 104 volumes of Poetry, 158 of Biography, 181 of Travels, 332 of Science and Art, 84 of Religion, 319 of Essays and General Literature, 137 French, 56 German, and 3 Spanish: in all, 6647.

Respectfully submitted.
H.C. Aumbert,
Librarian.

San Francisco,
September 25, 1872.

The Treasurer's Monthly Report was read and, on motion, received, referred to Committee on Finance, and ordered spread on the minutes.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the month of August, 1872:

Receipts.

On account of Rent		$ 535.00
Do of Collections		243.10
	Total	$ 778.10

Disbursements.

Amount paid	W.B. Loomis, newspapers, periodicals etc,	565,		$ 170.78
" "	D. Hicks & Co, Binding	570,		21.25
" "	Job Rehoe, Repairs	555,		13.14
" "	J. McCullah & Co, Advertising	559,		13.25
" "	H.C. Aumbert, salary for July	580,		175.00
" "	H.J. Coleman, Do	579,		100.00
" "	W.H.H. Smith, Do	578,		70.00
" "	Librarian, Petty Cash	572/573		65.60
" "	J.M. Eckfeldt & Co, Plates & Cards	575		11.00
" "	Jennings & Banfield, whitening	576		55.00
" "	Gas Co. Gas for June	577		73.15
" "	Water Co. Water for July	581		18.00
" "	E.A. Vining, engraving medal	210		1.35
" "	J.W. Bones, balance of bill altering Library,	582		20.00
" "	Chronicle, advertising	586		6.00
" "	Carrier Evening Bulletin, subscription	588		26.25
" "	American & Howell, Cash book	587		11.10
	Carried Forward			850.87

	Brought Forward		$50.87
Amount paid	Dewey & Co., Scientific and Rural Press	584	10.00
"	Amated & Co., Books	584	3.13
"	Bancroft & Co., Do	593	58.63
"	Roman & Co., Do	595	38.56
"	H. Killen, 2 vol. Encyclopedia,	596	22.50
"	Swain's Bakery, Refreshments 2d June	594	8.00
"	B.D. Sturtt, Printing	592	30.00
"	Union Insurance Co., interest to Sept 9,		41.66
"	Sinking Fund, 10 % of Receipts,		77.81
balance due Treasurer as per Last Report			358.69
	Total		$1500.20

Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $722.10

San Francisco,
August 31st, 1872.

Respectfully submitted.
Henry L. Davis, Treasurer.

The Quarterly Report of the Treasurer, having been read, was on motion placed on file.

Mr Bassett, of the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, stated that the Report of that Committee had been made up from the bills which had been audited.

The Treasurer's Report of the Sinking Fund was read and ordered placed on file.

The following Bills, having been audited, were presented:

A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books	$ 20.55
A. Roman & Co	do	43.54
Amated & Co	do	6.19
Spring Valley Water Works	water for August	16.00
Librarian's Petty Cash	Books & Periodicals	42.60
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	234.95
S.F. Gas Co.	Gas for August 10.50 7.20	33.30
Librarian's Petty Cash	Ways Means & Accounts	27.00
W.H.H. Smith	Salary for August	70.00
J.P. Coleman	Do	100.00
S.L. Hurlbut	Do	175.00

On motion it was ordered that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the payment of the bills.

Mr Williams moved that the Library be closed on Sunday. Seconded.—— Mr Davis moved as a Substitute that the matter be referred to the Institute at its Quarterly Meeting, with the statement that the attendance does not warrant the expense.

The substitute was accepted and carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Recommendation of the Committee on Books and Donations in reference to the Compilation

of a Catalogue and the proposing of bids for the printing of the same be followed. Moved, seconded and passed to amend, as follows: Ordered that the matter be referred back to the Committee, and that they devise means to furnish the Catalogue to the Library at the least possible expense.

On motion it was ordered that the purchasing of the glass doors offered at $2.50/100 a piece, be referred to the Committee on Library Rooms and Building with power to act, and that they devise a plan of shelving to exhibit the models received from the Patent Office.

On motion the matter of Lectures during the Coming winter was referred to the President, the desire of the Board being that the Professors of the University of California be invited to lecture.

Mr Williams was granted leave of absence for two months.

On motion, Adjourned.

S. N. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute.

Rooms of the Institute,
September 7th, 1872.

Present, a Quorum.

Minutes of Annual (Adjourned) Meeting of June 6th read and approved.

The President stated that, owing to the resignation of Mr Wilcox, the Board of Trustees had chosen Mr Jas. C. Patrick as his successor.

On motion, the choice of the Trustees was approved.

The President presented and read his report for the quarter, which was, on motion, received and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

President's Quarterly Report.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.
Gentlemen:

Herewith I beg to present my report for the Quarter ending August 31st, 1872.

The Library, during the past six months, has been opened experimentally during Sundays from 2 to 10 P.M. It was thought that there was a general desire expressed by the members for the opening of the Library for readers during those hours on Sunday. As an experiment it has not been a success: members have not availed themselves of the

privilege, and no interest at all seems to have been felt in the movement. The attendance during Sunday has been exceedingly slight, averaging 20, and the readers have been principally of the light literature, and not sufficient of them to pay for the light consumed;— I mean gas, not literature. The Librarian reports:

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

The record of visitors to the Library on Sunday, from the first opening on that day, is as follows:

March 3	Visitors	23	May 5	Visitors	23	July 7	Visitors 16
10		27	12		25	14	14
17		26	19		18	21	10
24		31	26		27	28	15
31		27	June 2		17	Aug 4	18
April 7		26	9		19	11	13
14		28	16		15	18	17
21		25	23		16	25	15
28		29	30		13	Sept 1.	19

This list includes all those who entered the Library, for whatever purpose. No separate record was kept of the visitors to the Reference Library, but at least two-thirds of those who entered the rooms read such books as might have been taken out. //

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. Hurlbut

Librarian.

San Francisco,

September 7th, 1872.

In view of this fact, the Trustees propose to discontinue the practice, unless otherwise earnestly desired by the members, and supported by a better-expressed appreciation; and which can only be by a greater number of members using the rooms for consultation.

I regret very much the existence of the foregoing facts, and, by request of the Trustees I ask for an expression of opinion in relation thereto.

During the past quarter 334 volumes have been added to the Library, and the number taken out by the members is 18859 during the same term. This shows a healthy addition and circulation of books.

During the past three months 98 members have joined the Society. Many donations have been received from friends of the Society, to whom the thanks of the Society are due, especially to Senator Casserly, and our other representatives at Washington.

The Committee of Ways Means and Accounts report the Receipts for the past three months:

Rent	$1892.00	
Dues	1491.30	$3383.30
Bills audited during same time:		
Advertising	$116.60	
Carried Forward	$116.60	$3383.30

Brought Forward	$116.60	$3383.30
Binding	256.26	
Books	493.95	
Furniture	18.50	
Gas	231.00	
Improvements	406.52	
Interest	124.98	
Newspapers	263.63	
Petty Expenses	255.00	
Law Expenses	100.00	
Printing	50.50	
Salaries	1035.00	
Sinking Fund	338.32	
Water	54.00	$3744.20
Bills audited in excess of Receipts		$360.90

A Special Committee, composed of Messrs. Jas. L. Patrick, R. B. Woodward and Chas R. Wells, was appointed some time since to devise a plan for obtaining a permanent site for an Exhibition Building. The Committee has had under consideration a large quantity of property, some of which is very desirable, but the great cost of property sufficiently large and near to the centre of the town ($350,000 to $400,000) will make it a difficult matter to raise means to carry out so great a project with safety. It is, however, suggested to organize a joint stock Company to construct the building under an arrangement with the Institute, whereby it may become within a certain fixed time the possessor of a controlling interest in said building— that interest to be purchased by proceeds from Industrial Fairs, Donations, and sale of the present Institute Building. Before such a plan is matured it is advisable to look at it in all its bearings, and to see how it will affect the Institute. It seems to me that the City and County of San Francisco has some property it may by deed lease for a long term to the Institute, for Exhibition purposes. These exhibitions are essentially of a public benefit — of a public nature, and the beneficiary interest in them (which is the result of management and economy) goes to the Mechanics' Institute, also a public institution, in the interests of the Industries and the Arts, it is true, — an interest that has never received much from the State of California, or any City or County thereof.

Washington Square — situated at the north end of the City, and passed by two lines of horse railroad, and which will have an easy and magnificent approach when Montgomery Avenue is opened — it has been suggested, would answer the purpose of the Industrial Exhibitions; and the property owners surrounding said square are desirous of having the square used for this purpose — provided the Mechanics' Institute will erect a first-class iron or

brick building. It is proposed further to give a large bonus to the Society, if the square can be obtained and occupied by the Institute for the purpose proposed.

It is expected the Special Committee will give the matter careful consideration as the time is approaching that some definite move should be made.

The Treasurer reports as follows for three months ending Aug 31st, 1870:

Institute Fund.

Receipts from Rents		1692.00	
Collections		1669.15	$ 3361.15
Disbursements - June	$ 1583.01		
July	1583.89		
August	1141.51		
due Treasurer June 1	29.84	$ 4083.25	
Leaving balance due Treasurer this date			722.10
			$ 4083.25

Sinking Fund.

Received in June	$ 115.10
" in July	1123.20
" in August	77.81
On hand June 1st, 1870.	1606.16
Balance to Cr. Sinking Fund	$ 1942.27

It is proposed, at the Quarterly meetings of the Institute, to have papers read, on some practical subject, and which should be open to discussion. Our Secretary, Mr. Wheeler, has consented to read an original paper on the "Manufacture of, and Machinery for, Beet Root Sugar", a subject of general public interest.

Members are invited to co-operate in this movement, and render all available aid by preparing papers on Special Subjects of public interest with which they are familiar, or presenting other gentlemen, who are willing and able, to the Committee on Lectures and Classes.

I desire to speak at this time of a subject that cannot but have forced itself on your attention. I mean the terrible condition into which so many of the young men of this city are plunged, in part by their own disposition, but more particularly by the force of circumstances that surround them. The term Hoodlumism, whether young men or young women, is so well understood by the citizens of San Francisco, that it conveys more to the mind than can be well expressed in words. Its existence among us shows a serious defect in the government of the children, first, principally at the home, secondly, in the public school, thirdly, by public sentiment. And the lack of correction shows the want of prompt punishment under proper conditions, principally by mixing such offenders with hardened criminals, and making them worse after they are punished than before. It seems, in this city, that 9 parents out of 10 desire to bring their boys up to some profession or clerical

occupation and encourage in them a feeling of contempt for mechanical industry, and, as a rule, the sisters of these boys, thoughtlessly and heedlessly, treat with studied slight the youth whose hands are not always white and whose face is begrimed while at his occupation. This is a lesser evil however; the greater is from the neglect or inability of the parents to teach and enforce in their own families the principle of self-government, and a recognition of the most common moral laws. This often occurs from a misconception of the objects of, and a total abandonment of all guardianship to, the public school. The Common Schools occupy a distinct sphere, and can never and ought never to occupy the place of the parent in those influences peculiar to home. But the Common Schools might recognize more fully the necessity of every boy being brought up to habits of industry and being taught a trade; and, moreover, efforts should be made to create an esprit de corps among the scholars; to treat them, as far as possible, as gentlemen, and not to assume that all are hoodlums. Public sentiment does not encourage the presence of manual labor; it is disagreeable to it, and it even tolerates it with the utmost difficulty. Public sentiment, if incorrect, brings forth its own punishment, and by this only can a remedy be effected.

Hence Hoodlumism may be an ultimate benefit and by its own poison serve as an antidote to the disease of public sentiment. Again, the closing up of the avenues whereby boys can be apprenticed has done an enormous amount of damage. I appeal to all Labor Leagues and Guilds of any and all kinds, to encourage the teaching of their boys and to provide means for their apprenticeship, through their own efforts and as a recognition of ultimate general good. The restrictory clause has been tried so often that it is no longer an experiment but is followed by a swift retribution, such as we see to-day in our own city; and to what extent they are liable for the condition of affairs that exist now among our young men, I fear impartial men will figure to their detriment.

A. S. Hallidie, President.

It was moved and seconded that the Library be hereafter closed on Sunday. After remarks by Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Canham, Mr. Britton, Mr. Macy, and Mr. Patrick, Mr. Gallagher proposed as an amendment, that the experiment be tried three months longer.

The original motion, being put, was passed.

Mr. S. H. Wheeler read a paper on "The Manufacture of, and Machinery for Beet Root Sugar."

On motion, Adjourned.

S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting Board Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
September 17th 1872

The meeting was called to order by President Hallidie

Reading of the minutes dispensed with.

At the roll call there were present Messrs. Wells – Tredale – Bassett – Martenstein – Nelson and Jones.

The Report of the Committee on Books and Donations was received and a letter from the Librarian in reference to the new catalogue received and ordered to be laid on the table.

The thanks of the Board were tendered to Messrs Bradley & Rulofson for copies of Photographs of Professor Agazzis

The Com. Secy. was directed to tender to Professor Agazzis and Assistants the use of the Rooms of the Institute during their stay in this city.

The two large and six small photographs of Prof. Agazzis were referred to the Committee on Library Rooms & Building with instructions to have them framed.

The Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported progress and recommended that Mr. Hinckley be notified to pay his rent or to vacate

On motion adjourned.

J. H. Jones
Secretary Pro Tem.

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Room of the Institute
Sept. 19th 1872

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie

In calling the meeting to order the president stated that as members of the Institute had asked him to call a meeting of the Institute in reference to the rejection by the Board of Supervisors of this city of the Petition in reference to the Atlantic & Pacific R. R. signed by 15000 citizens, he had thought it best to first call a meeting of the Board of Trustees

After some further remarks the President presented the following Resolution Unanimously Passed.

Resolved – That the President and Secretary of the Mechanics' Institute are hereby instructed to represent to the Mayor of the City that the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, in ignoring a respectful petition from the people signed by 10000 citizens in good faith, among whom are a large number of those connected with the industries, and accepting a petition signed by a few wealthy men, in the face of the protest and wishes of the great mass of the people of this city, committed a grave error, and one calculated to create serious consequences to the well being and future prosperity of the community, That said action of the Board of Supervisors is in direct contradiction of the rights of the people, and if continued to its consummation, cannot but result in disorder, disaster and ruin.

Resolved, – That the Mechanics Institute respectfully but firmly request the Mayor of the City, in the event of the aforesaid petition not being allowed to take the same course as the others, to interpose his veto to the final passage of any order, submitting the subject matter of the accepted petitions to the vote of the people

Mr Tredale moved and Mr. Spaulding seconded the motion that Prof. Agazziz be recommended to the Institute as an Honorary Member of the Institute. Unanimously passed.

On Motion Adjourned

J. H. Wheeler – Secy.

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Oct. 1st 1872

Meeting called to order by Vice President Patrick.
Present at Roll Call. Messrs Bassett, Brunner, Tindale Jones, Martenstien, Nelson, Spaulding, Wells & Wheeler.
Minutes read and approved.
The Committee on Ways Means & Accounts presented Bills approved & as follows:—

Spaulding & Barto	Printing	—	$3.00
M. D. Niles	Picture Frames	—	8.00
S. V. Water Works	Sept. Water	—	18.00
Librarians Petty Cash	Books &c	—	48.60
Alta Carrier	July to Oct.	—	12.00
A. Roman & Co.	Books &c	—	56.83
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	" "	—	47.76
W. C. Loomis	Periodicals	—	177.06
Lib. Petty Cash	Ways & Means	—	69.35
S. F. Gas Co.	9.80 & 64.40	—	74.20
G. P. Coleman	Salary	—	100.00
G. C. Hamblet	"		175.00
W. H. N. Smith	"		70.00
Conrad & Matter			215.00

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported progress.
Committee on Books & Donations presented the Librarians Report for Sept. as follows:—

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:—
I beg to report for the month of Septembes, as follows:—

Amount received for Initiation fees		$39.00
" " " Life Memberships		150.00
" " " Dues		898.50
" " from J. F. Sims for rent		70.00
" " " G. F. Webster "		150.00
" " " H. Blyth Jr. "		120.00
" " " J. O'Donnell "		70.00
" " " G. E. Hinckley age "		60.00
		1557.50

Balance on hand Sept 1st 1872		$113.00
Amount received for dues etc.		1087.50
" " " Rent		470.00
		1670.50
Paid N. L. Davis Treasurer	14.99.97	
Petty Cash Bills Sept.	117.95	
Cash on hand.	52.58	1670 50

Written notice was given to Mr. Hinckley on the 26th Sept that his rent must be paid up in full by the 30th; but he has paid nothing since the notice. He now owes, for the three months ending Nov. 1st, three hundred and fifteen dollars.
Thirty nine new members have joined the Institute, and three, already on the roll have become Life members, viz:— N. J. McGrew, G. W. Quinn and Henry Keller.
The new members are:—

Robert Day	John N. Kearney
Albert Steiner	J. L. Ryan
G. D. Sadd	T. L. Smith
M. J. Doyle	N. A. Temple
J. W. Stateler	M. J. Scanlan
Thos. Couch	Chas. T. Mitchell
Thos. P. Axle	J. L. Eagan
F. C. Thorndike	D. F. Tillinghast
Thos. Armen	Harrison Moran
A. W. Brodt	Joshua Chamberlain
D. M. McGuire	Samuel Marks
G. R. Browne	Robt. Varney
Mrs. Jas. Stewart	W. N. Haas
Henry Fisher	Chas. F. White
James Dyer	W. Freer
Mrs. J. N. Loftus	R. D. Graham
Emil Gumberger	Ger. C. Gerlach
Anna Strombeck	J. C. Fould
Ger. G. Smook	G. N. Barrett
Oscar Lewis.	

There have been added to the Library by purchase 101 volumes classified as follows:—
Fiction 35 — Science 13 — Dictionaries 2 — Biography 2 — History 6 — Government 2 — Law 1 — Travels 15 — Essays 2 — Humor 2 — Directory 1 — Periodicals 20 — Of these, 33, Periodicals, Travels and History, are in Russian, many of them illustrated with scientific diagrams.

Donations have been received:-
from Geo. W. Howe, Commissioner,
"Fourth Annual Report, Insurance Commissioner for Cala."
from J. W. Foard
"Official Report of the Proceedings of the
"National Insurance Convention of the U.S.
"held in the City of New York. Oct. 1871"
from George Davidson
"Report of the Examination of the Weights and Balances
"of the Branch Mint, San Francisco"
from Bradley & Rulofson
Two large Photographs of Agassiz
Six smaller do. do. do.
from Warren Johnson & Co. Buffalo N.Y.
"Buffalo City Directory. 1872"
from H. McC. Collyn Secy.
"Report of the Second Industrial Exposition of Cincinnati. 1871."
from Wm. C. F. Krause
"Bianca" a play of three acts
and two changes of scenes.
The number of volumes taken from the Library is:-
Novels & Romances 4,870 - History 158. - Periodicals 118.-
Poetry 97. - Biography 147 - Travels 159. - Science & Art 308 - Religion 74 - Essays & General Literature 312,
French 118 - German 40 - in all. 6404.

All of which is respectfully submitted
(Signed) S. C. Hurlbut
Librarian.

San Francisco
October 1st 1872

On motion the Report was received, the names of new members accepted, and the financial portion referred to Finance Committee

On motion of Mr. Tredale, seconded by Mr. Wells it was ordered that the Librarian be requested to report quarterly the number of members in good standing and also the number delinquent.

Committee on Lectures made no report.

The Treasurer's Report as follows; was read and received and ordered to be spread on the minutes:-

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:-

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for September 1872

Receipts

On a/c of Rent		470.00
On a/c of Collections		879.97
	Total	1349.97

Disbursements.

Amt paid		
Bulletin	Advertising	9.50
Bancroft & Co.	Books	20.55
B. Quaritch	Bal of a/c Books	210.69
S. C. Hurlbut	Salary for August	175.00
G. P. Coleman	do do do	100.00
W. H. H. Smith	do do do	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	69.60
Olmstead & Lowe	Books	6.19
A. Roman & Co.	do	43.54
Gas Co.	Gas for July	83.30
S. N. Crabb	Gas fitting & Plumbing.	5.37
Plum Bell & Co.	Picture Cord & Dusters	7.50
Payot, Upham & Co.	Books	8.20
Water Co.	Water for August	18.00
Frost & Richards	Printing	16.00
D. Nicks & Co.	Binding	234.95
Union Insurance Co.	Int. to Oct 9.	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	134.99
Balance due Treasurer as per report for August		722.10
	Total	1977.14

Leaving Balance due Treasurer $627.17

San Francisco
Sept. 30. 1872

Respt Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treas

On motion the Bill of Conrad & Matter was referred to the Building Committee.

Committee on Library, Rooms, and Building reported that notice had been served on Mr. Hinckley that if any rent remained due on the 30th Sept. he would have to find other premises

On motion ordered that the necessary steps be taken by the Committee to recover the premises from Mr. Hinckley with full power to act in the matter.

Moved, seconded, and passed that a Special Committee be selected from members at large of the

Institute, to act in conjunction with Committee on Lectures and Classes in regard to lectures on Special Subjects during the coming winter. Committee to be appointed by the President.

A proposal was presented from M. A. Clarke to plaster the rear wall of the Institute Building for the sum of ($320) three hundred and twenty dollars gold coin.

Referred to Committee on Library, Rooms & Building.

Moved, seconded, and passed, that Mr. Brunner act in the place of Mr. Williams on the Building Committee during the absence of Mr. Williams

On motion Adjourned

S. H. Wheeler

Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at the Rooms of the Institute October 14th 1872

President Kallidie in the Chair.

Absent at Roll Call – Messrs Brunner, David, Ardale, Mortenstein and Wells

Committee on Library, Rooms & Building made no Report.

Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts made no Report.

Committee on Books and Donations

Reported in reference to the Librarians Register leaf proposing a Pentagonal leaf with locked pigeon holes to hold 1500 names at a cost not to exceed $35.00.

On motion the Report was adopted and the Committee authorized to have the case built.

Committee on Lectures by the President

Reported progress.

On motion adjourned

S. H. Wheeler

Recording Secretary.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at the Rooms of the Institute Nov. 12th 1872

Meeting called to order by Vice Pres. Patrick.

Present at Roll Call Messrs, Bassett, Ardale, Mortenstein, Nelson, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler, and Woodward.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported and presented a bid of A. Corbett for plastering rear wall of building.

Committee on Books & Donations presented the following Report of the Librarian:–

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute.

Gentlemen:–

I beg leave to lay before you the following report for the month of October:–

Amount received for Initiation fees			$30.00
do	"	for Life Membership	50.00
do	"	for Dues Collected	324.75
do	"	from C. F. Webster for rent	150.00
do	"	" J. F. Snow " "	70.00
do	"	" H. Blyth Jr. " "	120.00
do	"	" J. O'Donnell " "	70.00
do	"	" C. E. Hinckley on a/c	160.00
			$974.75

Balance on hand October 1st		$170.53
Collections in October: Dues &c		404.75
Do. " Rents		570.00
		$1145.28
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1012.95	
Petty Cash Bills for October	57.47	
Cash in hand Nov. 1st	74.86	$1145.28

Mr. Hinckley still owes:

for the month ending October 1st		$30.00
" " do " November 1st		125.00
" " do " December 1st		125.00
		$280.00

Thirty new members have joined the Institute, and one, long since enrolled, has become a Life Member,

The names are:-

G. Gustiaud	B. Bertolacci	E. Stahl
T. W. Dexter	C. H. Spaulding	Chas. S. Neal
I. W. Stewart	H. W. Patrick	John Hovey
I. H. Matthews	James Wallace	Chas. H. Richards
Simel Varieas	Maggie Bannan	J. K. Firth
Chas. H. Kleugel	Fred. Chamberlain	William Mumm
Alexander Lamme	Max. Strauss	H. L. Carpenter
F. Meandlebaum	P. Maher	F. C. Porat
W. A. Rolf	Owen Gilmartin	Dwight J. Burnett
B. Fehnemann	Oscar L. Case	Joseph Curle

R. T. Van Norden. Life Member.

There have been added to the Library, by purchase, Ninety two volumes, classified as follows:-

History 1, Biography 1, Essays and General Literature 6, Wit & Humor 1, Fiction 55, Travels 4, Poetry 4, Science and Art 20,

Donations have been received:

from the State Agricultural Society
Transactions for the Years 1870 & 1871.

from J. H. Benham. New Haven, Conn,
New Haven Directory and Annual Advertiser 1872-73

from Hon. C. Cole
Catalogue of Books added to the Library of Congress 1870

from S. H. Wheeler Secretary
Circular and Pattern List of the Union Iron Works.

from Aaron Stein,
Wells, Fargo & Co's Express Directory, 1872.

The number of volumes circulated is as follows:-

Novels and Romances	4797
History	142
Periodicals	123
Poetry	95
Biography	138
Travels	149
Science and Art	311
Religion	73
Essays &c	297
French	106
German	41 ; in all 6,272

The need of additional shelf room makes itself felt in the main Library, and I would call the attention of the Board to the fact that there remain a few empty lockers, which might be turned to account.

All of which is respectfully submitted

San Francisco Nov. 4th 1872

(Signed) F. H. Hewlett Librarian

The Committee on Lectures & Classes reported by President Kellidie. who stated that he had appointed a Special Committee on Special Classes & Lectures consisting of Mayor Alvord – Amos Bowman – and Gen. Bates

On motion the Report of the Librarian was received, referred to the Committee of Ways Means and Accounts and the list of new members approved.

On motion the Treasurers Report was received and referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute.
Gentlemen:-

I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for October 1872.

Receipts.

Amount Received on a/c of Rents	$570.00
" " " " Collections	392.95
Total	$962.95

Disbursements

Amt Paid		
A. Roman & Co.	Books	$ 56.83
W. C. Loomis	Newspapers &c	177.06
Bancroft & Co.	Books	47.76
A. Conrad	Lockers Shelving &c	215.00
G. C. Hewlett	Salary for Sept.	175.00
G. P. Coleman	ditto	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	ditto	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	117.95
Carrie & Alta	Newspapers	12.00
M. D. Nile	Frames for Agassiz	8.00
Gas Co.	Gas for August	74.20
Water Co.	Water for Sept	18.00
Spaulding & Barto	Printing	5.00
Union Ins. Co.	Int. to Nov. 9th	41.66
Sinking fund	10% of Receipts	96.29
Bal. due Treas as per Report for Sept		627.17
Total		$1839.92
Leaving Balance due Treasurer		$ 876.97

San Francisco October 31st 1872

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) Henry H. Davis Treasurer

The Committee on Ways Means and Accounts presented Bills (audited) as follows:—

Plum Bell & Co.	Picture Cord & Tassel	$ 7.00
" " "	Repairing Matting	2.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing &c.	14.88
Mc. D. Nile	Picture Frame &c	8.00
O. A. Deering	Librarians Case	35.00
C. L. Parent	Work & Material Chess Room	228.18
Payot Upham & Co.	Books	10.15
Lib. Petty Cash	Ways Means & Accounts	15.70
C. H. Matthews	Painting	45.00
Water Works	Water Oct 1 to Dec 1	36.00
M. W. Pieper	5 Bulletins to Sept 28	22.50
Edw. Bosqui	Binding	8.50
A. L. Bancroft & Co	Books &c.	76.72
Lib. Petty Cash	Books & Donations	41.77
Cubery & Co.	Printing	3.00
A. Roman & Co.	Books &c.	74.73
S. C. Hurlbut	Salary for October	175.00
S. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith		70.00

In motion accepted and orders drawn on "Treasurer" for payment.

Special Committee on Pavilion Site Reported Progress.

A Communication was received from the American Institute asking Co-operation in petitioning Congress to make an appropriation for defraying expenses to be incurred in the proper installation and protection of specimens of American Ingenuity and Skill and Industry at the forthcoming Austrian International Exposition of 1873.

On motion the request was granted.

A Communication was received from W. H. Williams resigning his position as a Trustee

On motion received and resignation accepted.

A Communication was received from the Treasurer stating that he had effected insurance on the property of the Institute as follows:—

$10.000	on Royal Ins. Co.	at a premium of	$113.00
5.000	" Underwriters Agency	" "	56.50
5.000	" North British & Mercantile	" "	56.50
		Total	226.00

Moved seconded & passed that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for Payment

A Communication from the Tax Collector was received and referred to the Librarian.

Moved seconded and passed that a member to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of W. H. Williams be balloted for at the next meeting.

On Motion Mr. Louis Kiistel was appointed Commissioner from the Mechanics Institute to the Vienna Exposition.

On Motion the President was authorized to communicate with Prof. Tyndall and offer him ($1000,) one thousand dollars for five lectures before the Mechanics Institute.

On motion ordered that the Chairman of the Committee on Library Rooms and Building be authorized to have the rear wall cemented to a point six inches below the top lines of the second story windows at an expense not to exceed ($200) two hundred dollars.

On Motion

Resolved:— that the Trustees have no objection to the use of the 3rd District Court Room by the classes in special subjects during the coming winter

On Motion ordered that Mr. J. H. Culver be invited to donate his services in placing the Patent Office Models in their cases.

Committee on Lib. Rooms & Building authorized to rent the west front Room of the third story at not less that ($40.) forty dollars per month.

Adjourned

Samuel H. Wheeler
Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at the Rooms of the Institute Nov. 19th 1872

Meeting called to ordr by the President

Present at Roll call Messrs, Bassett, Brunner, Isedale, Jones, Martenstein, Wells & Wheeler,

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported an estimate received from Mr. Corbett for plastering the rear wall of the building at $375 three hundred and seventy five dollars. They had determined that it would answer to plaster the wall to a point six inches below the top line of the second story windows. Had awarded a contract therefor at two hundred (200) dollars. In regard to painting, an expert had estimated that it would cost more to paint than to plaster. On motion the action of the Committee was approved.

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts made no report.

Committee on Books & Donations made no report.

President stated that the Special Committee on location of Site had visited Jefferson Square found it to be well located and finely graded.

On motion the Board proceeded to election of a Trustee to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Mr. Williams.

Charles Elliott and Amos Bowman were placed in nomination

Messrs Spaulding & Bassett were appointed tellers.

Whole no of votes	ten (10)	
Mr Amos Bowman	received	7
Mr Chas Elliott	"	3

On motion the election of Mr. Amos Bowman was declared to be unanimous.

On motion ordered that the Cor. Secretary notify Mr. Bowman of his election.

On motion the Building Committee were authorized to remove the Patent Office Models to their place in the Library Rooms.

On Motion the matter of a Gas Contract was referred to the Building Committee, to be reported on at the next meeting.

Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Secretary.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Rooms of the Institute. Dec. 3d 1872

Meeting called to ordr by the President.

Present at Roll Call Messrs. Bassett, Bowman, Brunner, Davis, Isedale, Nelson, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler.

Minutes of meeting preceding the last were read and approved

The Report of the Committee on Library Rooms and Building was read, received, and placed on file.

Committee on Ways Means & Accounts presented bills (audited) as follows:—

G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Nov.	$175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" " "	70.00
H. Marsden	Binding	64.75
Librarian Petty Cash	Books & Periodicals	8.40
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	6.25
Librarian Petty Cash	Way Means & Accounts	30.90
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	Books &c	85.22

J. Roman & Co.	Books &c	$63.16
S.F. Gas Co.	Gas Sept 1 to Oct 1	16.10
	&	98.70
S.F. Gas Co.	Gas Oct 1 to Nov 1	17.50
	&	98.70
Conrad & Mattes		40.00
J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing	7.50
Taxes		150.00

Bills read and orders drawn on Treasurer for Payment.

The Committee on Books & Donations presented their Quarterly Report which was read, received and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report for November read received and referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

To the President & Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute.

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my report of Receipts & Disbursements for November 1872

Receipts

On a/c of Rents		$445.00
" " " Collections		187.47
	Total	632.47

Disbursements

Amt Paid		
G. H. Hamblett	Salary for October	$175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" " "	70.00
Librarians	Petty Cash	57.47
Bancroft & Co.	Books	76.72
Roman & Co.	"	74.73
C. H. Matthews	Painting	45.00
Plum Bell & Co.	Dusters &c	9.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing	14.88
C. L. Parent	Lease in Chess Room	228.18
M. W. Pegau	Subscription & Bulletin	22.50
Payot, Upham & Co.	Books	10.15
O. A. Dearing	Revolving Case	35.00
Lubeny & Co.	Printing	2.50
Water Com.	Water for Oct & Nov	36.00
Royal Ins. Co.	Premium	113.00
M. D. Nile	Framing Photographs	8.00
North British & Mercantile Ins. Co.	Premium	56.50

Brought Forward		
Underwriters Agency	Premium	$56.50
E. Bosquet & Co.	Binding	8.50
Union Ins. Co.	Int. to Dec 1st	11.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	63.24
Amount due Treasurer as per report for Oct.		876.97
	Total	2181.50

Leaving balance due Treasurer $1549.03

San Francisco
Nov. 30th 1872 } Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

The Quarterly Report of the Treasurer was read, received and referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute.

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Quarterly Report for the Quarter ending Nov. 30th 1872

Receipts

For September	on a/c of Rents	$470.00
" "	" " " Collections	879.97
" October	" " " Rents	570.00
" "	" " " Collections	392.95
" November	" " " Rents	445.00
" "	" " " Collections	187.47
	Total	2945.39

Disbursements

For September	$1255.04
" October	1212.75
" November	1304.53
Amt. due Treasurer as per last Quar. Report	722.10
Total	4494.92

Leaving balance due Treasurer $1549.03

San Francisco
Nov. 30th 1872 } Resp'y Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treas.

The Treasurer's Quarterly Report of the Sinking Fund was read, received and referred to the Committee of Ways Means & Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics, Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my report of the Sinking Fund for the Quarter ending Nov. 30th 1872

Amount received in September	$134.99
" " " October	96.29
" " " November	63.24
balance in Treasury per last quarterly Rpt.	1942.27
Total amount to credit of Sinking Fund	2236.79

San Francisco, Nov. 30th 1872 } Resp'y Submitted (Signed) Henry L. Davis Treas.

The Librarians Monthly Report was read, received, ordered spread on the minutes; names of new members were accepted, and financial part referred to Committee of Ways Means and Accounts.

The Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

I would report for the month of November, as follows:-

Amount received for Initiation fees	$22.00
do do for Dues	115.00
do do for Life Memberships	200.00
do do from C. F. Webster for Rent	150.00
do do from John F. Sims	70.00
do do from H. Blyth Jr.	120.00
do do from C. C. Hinckley on safe Rent	35.00
do do from J. O'Donnell for Rent	70.00
	$782.00

Cash in hand November 1st	$132.33
Collections in November	337.00
Rents collected in November	445.00
	$914.33

Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$832.47
Petty Cash bills in November	39.30
Cash in hand (Sundries bill $30.00)	42.56
	$914.33

Mr Hinckley now owes, for the three months ending January 1st Three hundred & Seventy 50/100 dollars,

Twenty two ordinary members and one Life Member have joined the Institute; and three, already on the roll, have taken Life Memberships. The names are:

Alexander Mulligan	W. H. Byrnes
Edmund Cooper	Mr. R. Webb
C. S. Taylor	Joseph Williamson
A. Blatchley	P. King
E. N. Taylor	W. H. Chapman
Ed. Richardson	Crayton Winton
W. S. Waldron	John Lawton
H. Slocum	H. L. Horner
Robert Meiller	W. R. Gallagher
Jas. E. Wratten	Jacob S. Mitchell
W. S. Byrnes	Philip Deisroth
Robert Meiller	Horace Davis (Life)

P. B. Cornwall – I. S. Van Winkle & Robert Ewing are the three who have become Life Members.

They have been added to the Library, by purchase, Eighty-nine volumes, classified as follows:- Theology 2 – History 6 – Science & Art 23 – Fiction 47 – Biography 5 – Poetry 3 – Travels 1 – Essays 1 – Law 1.

There have been received Donations:

from Hon. E. Cassely

Patent Office Official Gazette. July-Oct. 1872

from Hon. E. Cole

Instructions from the General Land Office for the Survey and Entry of Lode and Placer Claims. Pamphlet

Mediterranean and Oriental Steam Navigation Co. – Pamphlet.

The number of volumes circulated during the month is: Fiction 4812 – History 147 – Periodicals 128 – Poetry 99 – Biography 151 – Travels 163 – Science & Art 319 – Religion 71 – Essays 284 – French 116 – German 47 – Spanish 3 – in all 6330.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

San Francisco Dec. 3d 1872, (Signed) G. E. Hurlbut Librarian.

A Communication was read and received from Mr. J. H. Culver in reference to models
Refered to Building Committee.

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered to Mr Culver for his time spent in arranging the Patent Office Models and also for his arrangement of them.

A Communication was received from Mr. Jules Joubert Secy of the Horticultural Society of New Zealand

On motion ordered that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the taxes from the sinking fund.

On motion ordered that the President and Secretary be authorized to renew the mortgage of $5000 with the Union Insurance Co.

Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Secretary.

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute at the Hall of the Institute Dec. 7th 1872

Minutes of previous Quarterly Meeting read and approved. The President's Report was presented and being in print the reading of it was omitted.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT,

For the Quarter Ending November 30, 1872.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute:

GENTLEMEN—Since my last report the condition of the Institute has but little changed; many things, however, have occurred of deep interest to this Institute, in its connection with educational affairs.

The first endowment of a Chair in the University of California has been made by Edward Tompkins, who deeded to the University a tract of land valued at $50,000, for the foundation of a Professorship of Oriental Languages. When we consider that Edward Tompkins was not a rich man, as the estimate of wealth goes to-day, that he gave one-third of his entire wealth to endow this Chair; that in the delicacy and modesty of his nature, he withheld his own name from the Professorship, giving to it the name of the eminent scientist who was then visiting our shores, calling it the Agassiz Professorship, this act may he taken at its worth, but even then, other circumstances, which existed in Edward Tompkins' connection with the University, renders it almost impossible that this act can be appreciated to the fullest extent, except by those few who were familiar with Edward Tompkins' work and sacrifices. One month later, Edward Tompkins, arising from a sick bed stood before a vast gathering of the friends of Education, in the city of Oakland, and as President of the Day, with his unequaled eloquence of tongue and earnestness of voice, welcomed, and inaugurated the newly-elected President of the

The Committee are desirous of extending all the facilities possible in this connection within the power granted it by the University and the Institute.

It has determined on the Saturday Evening Lectures, to be held somewhat as heretofore, and delivered mainly by the Professors of the University. Twelve (12) Lectures have been decided on, as follows:

PROGRAMME.

1, 2.

By President Gilman.

January 4.—On Polytechnic Schools at Home and Abroad.
January 11.—On the Physical Geography of the United States in Relation to its History.

3, 4.

By Professor John Le Conte.

January 18 and 25.—On the Distances and Activities of the Stars.

5, 6, 7.

February 1.—On What We Breathe.
February 8.—On What We Drink.
February 15.—On What We Eat.

8, 9.

By Professor Joseph Le Conte.

Februry 22 and March 1.—On the Ancient Glaciers of the Sierras.

10.

By Professor Kellogg.

March 8.—On Homer and the True Homeric Poems.

11.

By Professor Rising.

March 15.—On the Physical and Chemical Properties of Water.

12.

By Professor Swinton.

March 22.—(To be announced.)

In order to attend these Lectures, a fee of one dollar will be charged, which will admit to the entire course, the applicant enrolling himself, subject to the usual rules.

The first Lecture will be delivered Saturday, January 4, 1873.

In addition to the foregoing, the Committee is anxious to know how far it will be justified in providing means of instruction in the Industrial Sciences. It has been considering an experimental scheme, which will be understood not to be taken as a standard of what may be done hereafter, because the object of the experiment is to ascertain if there is a demand for this kind of Instruction, and how that demand is to be met. The Committee has conferred with leading men of the community, and feel assured that if there is a requirement of this kind, means will be furnished to provide for such requirement.

Therefore the Committee will announce, if it is too late this season, then next year, that some of the leading professional men and teachers of this city will give Class Instruction in special technical subjects, at nominal fees, under the auspices of this joint committee, provided a specified number of students apply for instruction.

If the experiment should be a partial success, it will justify further effort; if not even a partial success, no harm can come of it.

To the practical men of this day—I mean the Mechanics, Manufacturers, Miners, Agriculturists, or what not—this matter is of the utmost importance. The inculcation of true scientific principles in a naturally scientific mind is like the introduction of steam as a motive power: it economizes the expenditure of force, and enables him to make headway in a rough sea, when he would be, under other conditions, set back by baffling winds.

San Francisco needs a School of Science. An University located many miles from the metropolis cannot supply this need unless it has a branch in town; the Laboratories, Workshops, Hospitals, Libraries, Courts, and, above all, the population, are here, and if a branch should be established in this city, it would, I think, be greater than the main trunk.

It is generally known, that by an Act of Congress, the General Government offered to each State, 30,000 acres of land for each Representative and Senator in Congress, for the purpose of establishing Colleges of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, the object of this donation being expressly stated to be "the liberal and practical education of the Industrial Classes." Under this act, California became entitled to 150,000 acres for the benefit of the Industrial Classes, intending to furnish them an education higher and more liberal than that furnished under the system of the Common Schools. Very fitly, then, we have the University of California; but its location is such that a serious impediment is thrown in the way of the classes for whose benefit the Act contemplated it should be organized.

It is to be hoped that liberal and wealthy citizens may come forward and found a School of Science in this city, that may be a valuable adjunct to the existing institutions of learning. May the day soon come that less will be thought of diamond fields and corners in stocks, and more attention given to the fundamental principles that lay at the foundation of the country's wealth and progress.

The Board of Trustees has invited the eminent philosopher, John Tyndal, to visit San Francisco and deliver a course of Lectures, under the auspices of the Institute.

The models received some time since, from the Patent Office, have been classified and arranged by Mr. J. H. Culver in the chess room. It has been suggested that parties having models of proper dimensions and construction, desiring to deposit them, should be permitted to do so by the Trustees. I have no doubt that this will be a good move, and trust the hint may be taken.

The Institute is now in need of apparatus to illustrate Lectures and for tuition purposes. It also sadly needs many technical books, but having exhausted its funds is unable to provide itself with either.

The circle in which the Institute operates is constantly enlarging, and consequently there is an increasing want of funds. It will be seen by referring to the financial statement, that our regular revenue is below our current expenses, and this the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts declare is unavoidable, from the facts that certain books and periodicals have to be purchased to keep up the Library; necessary binding has to be done; salaries have to be paid, and the building has to be kept in repair. In addition thereto, is the large amount of taxes the Institute is assessed for this year in excess of previous years.

It will be seen, therefore, that a larger revenue must be provided by increase of membership and accumulation of a sinking fund, to be invested in productive realities. Among our manufacturers, our mechanics and our wealthy men, is there not public spirit enough to raise such a fund? If $50,000 could be set aside and invested so as to yield eight per cent., the interest would place the Institute on a firm basis, by enabling it to add largely to its Library, and take up the subject of technical education.

It is not too much to ask this amount from the citizens of San Francisco, when it is remembered that the Mechanics' Institute is essentially a public institution, open to every one alike, be he mechanic, manufacturer or capitalist.

Public attention has been called to the International Exhibition to be held in Vienna May, 1873; it will unquestionably be the largest and most complete Exhibition of the Industries of all nations ever held. California, with its peculiar and admirable mining machinery, its fine woolen manufactures, its ores and minerals, and its cereals might be represented there to advantage. It will for the time being be the centre of attraction for the civilized world. The Mechanics' Institute, in view of the importance of being represented, has commissioned Mr. Guido Kustel to act as Commissioner to the Vienna Exhibition from this Institute. Mr. Kustel is well known as a metallurgist, whose works have been translated into many languages, and who has the confidence of the community. Mr. Kustel will leave in about two months; meantime, I would earnestly request all who contemplate exhibiting there to forward goods without delay.

The United States Centennial Celebration will occur in the city of Philadelpha July 4th, 1876; it is intended to mark this event by an Industrial Exhibition; for this purpose Congress has authorized the organization of Centennial Board of Finance in every State and Territory in the Union. A Central Board is organized at Philadelphia, who is authorized to issue 1,000,000 shares of stock of the value of ten dollars for each, for the purpose of raising funds for carrying on the Exhibition; each State has been apportioned a number of shares equal to its number of Representatives.

The Board of Finance for California has met and appointed

the Bank of California as the place to receive subscriptions and issue certificates.

The occasion itself commends itself to all patriotic citizens, and no effort should be spared to made it a marked success, creditable alike to the great nation whose hundredth anniversary it will celebrate and to the people who has built up the nation in its weath, integrity and power.

A vacancy having occured in the Board of Trustees by the resignation of Mr. W. H. Williams, Mr. Amos Bowman was appointed to fill the vacancy, subject to the confirmation of this meeting.

The Committee on Book-Donations report that during the last quarter there have been 282 Books added to the Library; during the same period 19,006 Books have been withdrawn for reading by the members, of which

76	per	cent.	were.....Fiction.
2-3	"	"	.....History.
2	"	"	.....Personals.
1-5	"	"	.....Poetry.
2-3	"	"	.....Biography.
2-5	"	"	.....Travels.
5	"	"	.....Science and Art.
1-2	"	"	.....Religion.
4-7	"	"	.....General Literature and Essay.
1-8	"	"	.....French Works.
9-7	"	"	.....German and Spanish.

Ninety-one members have joined the Institute during the past three months.

The Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, report that the Building yields a monthly rental of five hundred and eighty dollars; that it has been found necessary to cement the rear wall of the Building; but that otherwise, the Building is in good repair.

The Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, report having audited bills to the amount of $3,445 59, and that the receipts during the same period amounted to $2,945 39, of which ten per cent. ($294 54) had to be placed in the Sinking Fund; showing an excess of bills audited, over available receipts, of $794 72.

The Treasurer reports as follows:

For Quarter ending November 30, 1872:

INSTITUTE FUND.

Receipts—Rents		$1,485 00
Dues		1,460 39
Total		$2,945 39
Disbursements—Advertising	$ 9 50	
Binding	243 45	
Books	555 36	
Furniture	67 50	
Gas (two months)	157 50	
Improvements	524 43	
Insurance	226 00	
Interest	124 98	
Newspapers	211 55	
Petty Expenses	345 02	
Printing	5 50	
Salaries	1,035 00	
Water (four months)	72 00	
Sinking Fund (10 per cent. of Receipts)	294 52	
Due Treasurer, August 31	722 10	
	$4,494 42	
Balance due Treasurer 30th November		$1,549 03
		$4,494 42

SINKING FUND.

Amount Received—September	$ 134 99
October	96 29
November	63 24
Balance in Treasury per last Report	1,942 27
Total to credit of Sinking Fund	$2,236 79
Special Fund for Reduction of Mortgage Debt—Received to date	$800 00

As taxes will have to be paid during the month, amounting to about $1,200, the balance in Sinking Fund will be reduced that amount.

A. S. HALLIDIE, *President*

University of California; and returning to his bed, in one short week was no more. Though passed away, Edward Tompkins still lives; his last act was that of victory over death.

May we not hope that this generous gift of the late Edward Tompkins will serve as a hint to the wealthy men of California, as to the manner their surplus wealth can be advantageously invested. A donation made during a life-time is more effective and more graceful than that which is to take effect after death, and it is more unselfish. In the one case, during life, the doner can see that his wishes are carried out, and it is, moreover, a gift in the fullest acceptation of the word. In the other case, many causes may divert the intended donation from its original destination—juries may declare the testator insane, etc.; and, moreover, it is not a gift, as, being post-mortem, the deceased does not then possess it, and he cannot, therefore, transfer or relinquish that which he has not, but would have if he was alive.

I am told that some men have remembered the University of California, and others the Mechanics' Institute, in their wills. I can only say to such, give, if you can, during your life, and see that the benefits of your forethought and beneficence are carried practically into effect, while you have the power; and, having such good intentions, carry them into effect while the inclination is right. A good intention is like a good idea, or a sun picture; it must be fixed at once to be of any value.

The Election and Installation of Prof. D. C. Gilman, as President of the University of California, are exceedingly satisfactory to the cause of Industrial and Technical Education. Coming from the head of the Sheffield School of Science, fully committed to the spirit of progress and the principles of the New Education, it is a guaranty that the modern school will be kindly treated in his hands.

A joint committee of the Board of Regents and the Mechanics' Institute, consisting of Messrs. D. C. Gilman, J. W. Dwinelle, H. N. Bolander, Wm. Alvord, George Bates, Amos Bowman and A. S. Hallidie, has been considering the matter of winter lectures, and special class lectures, and tuition on technical topics.

On Motion of Mr. Macey the action of the Board in the election of Mr. Bowman as Trustee in place of Mr. Williams resigned was maimously approved.

On Motion Adjourned
Samuel H. Wheeler
Secretary.

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees at the
Rooms of the Institute
Dec. 17th 1872

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call Messrs Bassett, Brunner, Davis, Hallidie, Tisdale, Jones, Wills, Wheeler and Woodward.

The minutes of the two preceding meetings were read and approved.

The Committees made no Reports.

On motion of Mr. Wills seconded by Mr. Brunner it was

Resolved:

That California Inventors be permitted to place models of their inventions in the Institute cases for models and curiosities subject to the rules and control of the Institute.

On motion, the matter of 5000 odd pounds of castings &c at the Shop of Hanscom & Co. was referred to the Com. on Library, Rooms & Building with instructions to get the money for them & the castings.

Moved, seconded, and passed that the Com. on Library, Rooms & Building serve notice on Mr. Heinekey to surrender the premises now occupied by him.

A Communication was read from Messrs Jacques J. Rey – Chas Kohler – and T. N. Dibble in reference to the location of the Pavilion for the next fair at Washington Square.

On motion the Communication was received and referred to the Special Committee on Sites.

The matter of an offer of a site from Mrs Horace Haines, presented through the corresponding Secretary was also referred to the same Committee.

On motion Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees Rooms of the Institute Jany 7th 1872

Meeting called to order by Pres. Hallidie

Present at Roll Call Messrs Bassett, Brunner, Hallidie, Tisdale, Jones, Martenstein, Nelson, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler & Woodward.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported that notice had been served on Mr Heinekey

The President stated that $130 dollars had been paid by Mr Heinekey on a/c and that indications were favorable to the payment of all his indebtedness to the Institute and the prompt payment of his rent in the future.

Committee on Ways Means & Accounts presented Bills Audited

As follows:–

"Eve. Bulletin" Carrier – 5 Copies from Sept 28th		$26.25
Librarians Petty Cash –	Books &c	95.80
"Alta" Carrier – 3 Copies from Oct 1st		12.00
Middleton & Co	Fuel	44.00
Francis & Valentine	Printing Pres' Report	16.00
A. Roman & Co.	Books &c	43.68
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing	10.00
G. W. Quinn	Hardware	3.75
A. S. Tedale	Pipe &c	3.00
S. F. Gas Co.	Nov 1st & Dec 1st	124.25
Bartling & Kimball	Binding	34.75
Spaulding & Barto	Printing &c	31.00
A. L. Corbett	Plastering Building	200.00
S. C. Hemstead	Salary Dec.	175.00
C. P. Coleman	" "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" "	70.00
Librarians Petty Cash	Way Means & Ac	75.31
S. F. Water Works	Water Dec	18.00

On motion it was ordered that the Bills be paid and that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

Committee on Books and Donations presented the Librarian's Report as follows:–

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:

I beg to submit the following Report for the month of December 1872:–

Amount received for Initiation Fees		$53.00
" " " Dues		658.00
" " " Rent	J. F. Snow	70.00
" " " "	C. F. Webster	150.00
" " " "	H. Blythe Jr.	120.00
" " " "	J. O'Donnell	70.00
" " " "	C. C. Heinekey on a/c	100.00
" " " "	N. C. Badger Comm. Small Rooms	30.00
" " " "	P. A. Espina	45.00
" " " "	C. C. Heinekey on a/c	30.00
		$1326.00

Amount on hand Dec. 1st 1872 $81.86
" received for dues & fees 711.00
" " " Rents 615.00
$1407.86

Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer $1287.30
Petty Cash Bills 100.81
Amount on hand Jany 1st 1873 19.75 $1407.86

There is now due from Mr Hinchley, for the three months ending Feby 1st the sum of Three hundred and sixty five dollars. Mr W. B. Badger, a year ago rented the small room in the basement, for one night in the week, at Five Dollars a month. For some time past, he has been using the room several nights in the week; and, though he was supplied with a key of the door, he has put on another lock. He has paid his rent in silver; the last time by a check for silver.

Fifty three new members have joined the Institute, viz:

Chas. Lind	Peter Kuhl	E. G. Dodge
R. H. Salter Jr.	N. Lazzemann	G. W. Peterson
Mrs. M. E. Hobart	Gen. Dean	Customs Dety
D. G. Alexander	J. Buck. Smith	John Bonn 2d
F. Butzkow	J. B. McIntyre	Mrs. F. E. Bainght
G. P. Thurston	B. F. Smith	Gen. Townsend
Adalbert Heayne	C. H. Morgan	P. R. Cunningham
Chas. Schelander	Rudolphe Mohr	Jas. J. Dunn
Henry H. Reid	Otis Adams	Chas. V. Hall
A. D. Judd	W. Cazzer	Jas. Pendergast
Chas. Ashton	Frank Ashton	B. N. Wingate
David Patterson	C. H. Mitchell	Chas. Cassidy
Archibald Fraser	W. D. McGuire	W. D. English
H. L. Rattenberry	C. T. Vincent	Daniel Willats
W. A. Newman	Mrs. J. A. Dinkelmeier	Mrs. D. E. Buel
H. W. Preston	S. T. Bennett	Julia Neff
Jno. Wagner	A. C. Hussey	C. H. Luckenger
Max Ettinger	A. Douglass	

Ninety seven volumes have been added to the Library by purchase, classified as follows: Fiction 52 History 14, Science & Art 12 – Dictionary 1 – Biography 10. General Literature 7 – Theology 1.

Donations have been received.

from Gov. C. Cole:

19th Annual Report Mercantile Library San Francisco

Report of Light House Board 1871
" " Director of the Mint 1871
" Commissioner of Agriculture 1871
" Comm. on Corporations ~~1871~~ Scale.
on R. R. Freights & Fares 1871
Sophisms of Free Trade
Report of Comm. of Pensions 1871
" on assessing Internal Revenue 1871
" of Treasurer of U. S. 1871
" of Secretary of Treasury 1871
" of Surgeon General U. S. Army 1871
" of Post Master General 1871
" of Department of Agriculture 1870
" " " " 1871
Message & Documents 2d Session 42d Congress
Report on Commerce & Navigation
Case of the U. S. before the Tribunal at Geneva.
Report of Commissioner of Education 1871
do. Smithsonian 1870
do. Comm. of Agriculture
Statistics of Population 1870
Alleged Frauds in the New York Custom House
Congressional Globe 2d Session 41st Congress 7 vols.
do. 3d " do 5 "
do. 1st " 42 Cong. 1 vol
Report on the Valley of the Yellowstone
Patent Office Report 1869 3 Vols.
Message & Documents 1867-68, 2 vols.

from Mr. W. E. Moody
Final Report of Masonic Board.
of Relief of Chicago — 1872

There have been taken from the Library 6054 volumes, classified as follows:- Fiction 4623, History 136, Periodicals 119, Poetry 90, Biography 133, Travels 155, Science & Art 298, Religion 62, General Literature 291, French 104, German 38, Spanish 2,

All of which is respectfully submitted
(Signed) C. C. Hulbert
Librarian,

San Francisco
January 6th 1873,

On motion the Report was accepted, the list of names of new members approved, the financial portion referred to the Committee of Ways Means and Ajos.

The Treasurers Report for the Month of Dec 1872 – was read as follows:–

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the December 1872

Receipts

On a/c of Rents		595.00
" " " Collections		692.30
	Total	1287.30

Disbursements

Amt Paid		
Roman & Co for Books		63.46
G. G. Hamblett " Salary for November		175.00
C. P. Coleman " " "		100.00
W. H. N. Smith " " "		70.00
Librarian Petty Cash		39.30
H. Marsden Binding		64.75
Bancroft & Co. Books		85.22
S. F. Gas Co. Gas for Sept & Oct.		228.90
A. Conrad & Co. Work in Lockers		40.00
J. H. O'Brien & Co. Plumbing		7.50
Union Ins. Co. Interest to Jan. 9		41.66
Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts		128.73
Amt. due Treasurer Nov. 30th 1872		1529.03
	Total	2593.55

Leaving balance due Treasurer $1306 25/100

San Francisco, Dec. 31st 1872 — Respectfully Submitted (Signed) Henry L. Davis Treas.

On motion the Report was received and referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Ajos.

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported that bids for the supply of Gas to the Institute had been received from

Metropolitan Gas Co. at $3.50 per M – for 3 Years
S. F. Gas Co. @ $2.50 per M – for 2 Years

Moved seconded & passed that the matter of the Contract for Gas supply be referred to the Chairman of Committee on Library Rooms & Building and the President with full power to act.

A communication from W. & F. Kramer was read. On motion it was referred to the Committee on Sites

On motion the matter of the use of the small room was referred to the Committee on Library Rooms & Building

On motion Adjourned
S. E. Wheeler
Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Tuesday Jan 21st 1873

The President being absent Mr. Davis Treasurer was called, and took the Chair.

Present at Roll Call – Messrs Bassett Bowman – Davis – Iredale – Jones – Spaulding Wells & Wheeler –

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Building Committee reported the building as being in good order. The rent of the small room occupied by Mr. Badger had been raised to ($10) Ten dollars per month. Mr. Himebley had paid up all arrearages to the middle of the present month

Some alterations had been made in the lockers of the Library and a Contract had been entered into with the City Gas Co. for the supply of Gas to the Building for the space of two years at the rate of ($2.40) Two dollars and forty cents per thousand feet.

On motion the report was accepted and the action of the Committee in altering the lockers and raising the rent of the small room approved.

Other Committees made no reports.

Moved & passed that the Committee on Sites make a Report at next meeting.

On motion adjourned

S. H. Wheeler
Secretary.

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Feb. 4th 1873

Meeting called to order by President -

Present - Hallidie - Nelson - Martenstien - Wills Bassett - Tisdale - Spaulding - Bowman & Jones.

Reading of Minutes dispensed with

Committee on Sites reported progress

Communication from Henry Blyth read and referred to Building Committee to report at next meeting

Communication from Hoppe & Sons in reference to signs to be placed in the building received and permission granted to place signs in the ends of building.

Bills as follows:- Amounting to $1114 85/100 allowed and ordered paid by orders drawn on Treasurer

Spring V. Water Works	- Water to Feb. 1st	18.00
Cubery & Co.	- Printing boards	4.50
Middleton & Co	- Coal	31.00
Locke & Montague	- Furnace Grate	10.00
City Gas Co.	- Service Pipe	16.45
Morris - Schwab & Co	- 4 Frames	4.00
San Francisco Gas Co	- Bills to 1st Jany	126.35
Wells, Russell & Co	- Removing dirt in Sts	9.50
G. G. Kimbutt	- Salary - Jany	175.00
R. P. Coleman	" "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" "	70.00
W. B. Loomis	- Papers &c to Jany	336.75
A. L. Bancroft & Co	- Books to Jany 1	97.09
A. Roman & Co	- Books in Jany	26.36
Lib. Petty Cash	- Ways Means & Ayes	32.95
" " "	- Books & Papers	57.30

A Communication was read from Wm R Wadsworth for Col. J. D. Stevenson soliciting a donation of books - referred to Committee on Books and Donations.

Committee on Books & Donations presented the Librarians Report as follows:-

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to report for the month of January as follows:-

Amount received for		Initiation Fees	$61.00
do	do	Dues	467.00
do	do	Shafting & Pulleys	212.00
do	do	G. G. Kimbley Rent per Foster & McLaurin	240.00
do	do	G. G. Kimbley on a/c Rent for Jany	63.00
do.	do.	G. F. Webster Rent	150.00
do.	do.	P. A. Espina do	45.00
do.	do.	John F. Shaw do	70.00
do.	do.	H. Blyth Jr. do.	120.00
do.	do.	J. O'Donnell do	70.00
			$1498.00

Balance on hand Jany 1st 120.56
Ammnt collected for Initiatin Fees & Dues 528.00
do. do. Shafting & Pulleys 212.00
do. do. Rents 758.00
$1618.56

Paid Hon S. Davis - Treasurer 1499.56
Petty Cash Bills - Jany 90.25
Balance on hand Feb 1st 28.75 $1618.56

Mr Hemickley has paid all but Seven Dollars of the rent for the month of January

Sixty one new members have joined the Institute.

W. Penney	Isaac Coblines	Ho. Brannan
Alfred Bates	Emil Bergerole	Gerald Darcy
Jas. A. Penney	Ho. C. Greenberg	P. T. Smith
Dr. Jas. Blake	Miss. M. Pennie	August Stodieck
Eugene Van Court	Alfred Swingle	T. C. Pinckney
Thos. F. Dunn	Gen. Geary H. Fry	James S. Higgins
Gen. Thistleton	B. Lücke	Mrs. Mary A. Hunt
Thos. Flynn	E. W. Gould Jr.	D. M. Bobey
Edward Hartley	Mrs. A. T. Toomey	Ferd Von Leicht
Alfred Bryant	F. Entelemann	W. H. Chamberlain
Louis Hartter	C. E. Hall	Philip Schmied
Thos. H. Reynolds	Mrs. M. Cooley	L. Becker
Robt. Wilson	W. B. Pritchard	Chas. Mc. Allen
Mrs. M. Miller	W. A. Holcomb	R. J. Freeheville
Frank Paine	R. Thrmann	Mrs. A. F. Hanley
John J. Boyle	Mrs. M. L. Horton	J. P. Ryan
C. Berwick	J. R. Flynn	F. Soulé Jr.
Gen. Prescott	C. P. Colby	E. S. Kendall
Thos. Kinney	James Gregg	C. S. Swenson
F. H. Wells	Anna P. Fletcher	S. S. Fellows
C. S. Belden		

There were added to the Library by purchase One hundred and two volumes classified as follows:-
Fiction 50 - Theology 2 - Science & Art 19 - Games 1 - Essays 6 - Travel 1 - History 11 - Wit & Humor 3 - Law 4 - Biography 2 - Poetry 3,

Donations have been received from
Hon C. Cole
Patent Office Report 1869 - Vols 1, 2, 3.
Message & Documents 1867-8 - 2 vols
Commercial Relations 1867

from Prest. D. C. Gilman University of Cal.
The Life of James Ferguson F. R. S.
from W. R. Eckart
Marine Propulsion
from Cal. Prison Association
Seventh Annual Report 1871-2
Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Prison Association of New York 1871

The volumes withdrawn from the Library number
Fiction 41.811 - History 168 - Periodicals 132 -
Poetry 101 - Biography 164 - Travels 181 - Science & Art and Religion 85 - Essays etc. 3446 -
French 131 - German 58 - Spanish 5 -

All of which is respectfully submitted
Signed — C. C. Hamblett
Librarian

San Francisco
Feb 3rd 1873

On motion the Report was approved and financial portion referred to Committee on Ways Means and Accounts.

The Treasurer presented the following Report:-

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:-

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for Jany 1873.

Receipts

On acc of Rents	758.00
" " " Collections	529.56
Sale of Pulleys Shafting &c	212.
Total	1499.56

Disbursements

		Amt Paid
G. C. Hamblet	Salary for December	175.00
C. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
W. H. H. Smith	" " "	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	90.81
Middleton & Co.	Coal	44.00
A. Roman & Co.	Books	43.68
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing	10.00
A. C. Corbett	Plastering Rear Wall	200.00
S. F. Gas Co.	Gas for Nov.	124.25
Bancroft & Co.	Books	95.80
Carrier of Alta	Subscription	12.00
do Bulletin	do.	26.25
Water Co.	Water for Dec.	18.00
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	6.25
Bartling & Kimball	do	34.75
Spaulding & Barto	Printing	31.00
Francis & Valentine	"	16.00
G. W. Quin	Hardware	3.75
Union Ins. Co.	Int. to Feb. 9	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	149.95
Balance due Treasurer as per Report for Dec.		1306.25
	Total	2599.40

Leaving Balance due Treasurer $1099 25/100

San Francisco, Jan 31st 1873 } (Signed) Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas.

On motion the report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Appr.

A Special Committee consisting of Messrs Spaulding – Bowman & Wheeler – was appointed to report on the feasibility of arranging the specimens (geological &c) belonging to the Institute.

On Motion Adjourned
H. W. Jones
Secty Pro Tem.

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
Feb. 18th 1873.

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie –

Present Messrs Basset – Bowmer – Davis – Hallidie – Iridale – Spaulding – Wheeler

The Minutes of the Meeting of Jan 21st were read and approved

There were no reports from the Committees.

The President stated that in ape of a request by ten members a meeting of the Institute had been called at 8 P. M. this evening to consider the possible withdrawal of the Australian Steamship Line

On motion adjourned
L. C. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Special Meeting of the Institute

In the Third Dist. Court Room – Institute Building
Feb. 18th 1873

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie

The following call for the meeting was read by the Secretary :–

A. S. Hallidie Esq.
President of the Mechanics Institute of San Francisco
Dr Sir.

In view of the possible withdrawal of the Australian line of Steamers which will be a severe blow to the Manufacturing and Commercial Interests of San Francisco, we the undersigned members request you to call a special

meeting of the Mechanics Institute to take some action thereon.

(Signed) W. T. Garratt
Jon a Kittredge
Ho. S. Smith
Daniel E. Hayes
J. N. Risdon
Joseph Moore
H. J. Booth
Ira P. Rankin
Henry L. Davis
Chas R. Story

The President made the following address explaining the purpose for which the meeting had been convened;—

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT HALLIDIE.

It is of the utmost importance that there should be no interruption in daily intercourse with Australia by the steamships. Steamship lines cross the Pacific from this port. Is equality as important, that lines of steamers running between the two countries should be owned and controlled by the United States. A foreign line of steamers could successfully established, having its terminus anywhere on the north west coast of America, and inaugurated with the consent and permission of our people, will cause the nation's tongue to hang at half-mast on every American ship on the Pacific ocean, mourning the death of our commerce on the only sea open to us, and the shortsightedness of its statesmen or the parsimony of the National Legislature.

The call for this meeting which has been read to you to-night, I am assured, had been decided on, by the gentlemen signing it, only after a full consideration of the importance of its object and the bearing upon the commercial welfare of the United States at large, and California individually.

As a national question, the control of the trade of the Pacific has not received the consideration it deserves, nor has its growing importance been understood or appreciated by the nation at large.

Perhaps we, who live on the western border of this great continent, on the eastern fringe of this undeveloped Pacific sea, are, by force of our position and our varied intercourse, better able to see its bearing upon the future prosperity of the manufacturing and commercial interests of the country.

Benefits of the Line.

A steamship line establishes a regular and rapid means of communication, which enables prompt correspondence and regularity of remittances, and give confidence to banks and others to issue credits, and if it does not do all that a freight line does, it is a precursor and indispensable auxiliary, without which commerce will be hampered by irregularities and inconveniences that will soon kill it out.

Since the line of steamers from this port to Australia has been running, a quickening influence has been felt by the manufacturing interests of the Eastern States, and of which, perhaps, this side of the continent known but little.

American mechanics have introduced in Australia their shovels, axes, ploughs, chairs, clocks, bugeies, brooms, etc., in the face of Birmingham, because the steamers enabled them to send samples and to demonstrate the superiority of their make.

At this time there are about three ships, monthly, leaving New York for Australia, and permit me to read the manifest of the bark *Flamer*, which will give you some idea of what New York sends to Australia.

[The manifest is taken from the ALTA, where it appeared recently.]

Now, I am told that in all Australia there are not half a dozen American commercial houses, and that they are but beginning to be established. In this city alone are ten English commercial houses of good standing, and four banks.

Suppose your National steamship line to Australia and how long will it be before American ships will be withdrawn and these American commercial houses close up?

The Australian trade promises to be a large one. With an area of 2,500,000 square miles of territory, and a population of 2,000,000 intelligent, earnest and progressive people, it is easy to understand why our British friends should use every effort to secure it. If the field is open, they certainly have an equal right to it. If they can get it but it is for you to say if this should be so, and it is today in the power of Congress to prevent it.

It must not be forgotten that the steamship line from San Francisco to Sydney not only controls the business from New York and the Eastern States, but with their connections carries the mails from London (and females too—as passengers—for that matter) in less time than by any other route. For instance, the voyage of the *Alaska* [illegible] miles southwest, more than confirms this, as I see by telegram in the ALTA of this morning, as follows:

INTERNATIONAL POSTAL TELEGRAPH CONVENTION AT SAN FRANCISCO RECOMMENDS THE SAN FRANCISCO ROUTE.

"MELBOURNE, February 17th.—The International Postal Telegraph Conference has recommended San Francisco as the most desirable point for the transmission of mails between Europe and Australia."

And here is another item from the same source:

AUSTRALIAN MAILS CROSSING THE CONTINENT.

"George S. Range, Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service, yesterday furnished the following statement concerning the mails transported by the Pacific Railroad between Australia and Europe:

"The first mail crossing the continent, from east to west was three small sacks, equal in bulk to about one and a half bushels. The last mail, going east to west, amounted in December, 1872, to 300 sacks. The accumulation of this mail, by delay and missed connections by the ocean steamers and snow blockade, on and occasion amounted to four car-loads."

There are several gentlemen who will address you on the subject, and as I did not intend to occupy your time so long, I will add this reflection: The liberal and broad policy pursued by England to its own people in the encouragement and support of its mercantile steam marine, has placed its sailors and steamers on every sea in the world, directing and controlling the trade thereof, save and except that only of the North Pacific.

Is that interest worth less to us than to them? And if we cannot successfully compete where their steamers are already running, why, in all conscience, should Congress, by its vacillation, encourage the establishment of foreign lines of steamships in this new sea, which ought and must be controlled by American ships and American seamen?

If the American mercantile marine has been humiliated in, and the national flag almost driven from the Atlantic Ocean, here on the great sea, encircling out into the Occident, let it not be said that the stars and stripes bow to any one. The prize is yours by right, and is yours unless a disgraceful humiliation tears it from you.

REMARKS OF IRA P. RANKIN.

Ira P. Rankin, Esq., then addressed the Institute. He said, I signed the call for this meeting advisedly, and credit of the country. I believe that at the present time the word subsidy is in bad odor, but nevertheless, we must admit that England has shown no more sense in steamers, and finding out every avenue where commerce can be set up and increased and encouraging it. The Government of the United States has shown very little many other countries. This proposition is true at all which each we should certainly have a subsidy. To maintain regular and uninterrupted steam communication between this port and the groups of Islands in the Pacific, and Australia requires a subsidy, and no line of steamers can live without it. I doubt that it is paying now, and I have no doubt that its projector, Mr. Webb, has lost by the undertaking. The cities of steamers may be maintained if the owner is sufficiently patriotic and possesses the means to run them at a loss. But whatever the facts they are forming a line of travel we must admit, and are the precursor for more extensive travel and trade. Possibly this Institute may not go to the length of recommending a subsidy to the Webb line, but I would go that length, and I should think it very hard if the enterprising ship-owner who started the line, and has lost by it, were now thrown overboard. The man who instituted the line should certainly get the help. Possibly mechanics are the best judges of commercial enterprise. In the starting of every new branch of business men meet with unforeseen circumstances, and have dear lessons taught them before they meet with success. The same may be said of this line of steamers, and no doubt Mr. Webb feels the embarrassments liable in all enterprises. The *Mose Taylor*, *Dakota*, *Nevada* and *Nebraska* are all good ships, we have the

Material for a Good Line,

And should be helped by the Government. It deserves all the encouragement we can give it in our corporate and individual capacities. I would not advocate any scheme calculated to bring grist to some one's little mill. I would advocate no subsidy not of national importance. This line is not so interesting to the Atlantic States as to this Coast, but—as a commercial nation—it is interesting to the United States. We have been derelict because we have not done more to encourage and foster commerce. We have not, it is true, much trade with Australia, or they with us. But we are paying the way for that trade. We are growing in skill, and capital, and enterprise that must be appreciated by the colonies, soon to be empires in themselves. The Pacific Islands are said to be, and no doubt are, the garden-spots of the world. They are settled by Europeans, and are producing the fruits of the tropics and other valuable articles. We will have commerce and trade with them, and it will be established the sooner by the establishment of a steady line of steamers.

I fully and cordially approve of the bill to grant the Webb line a subsidy, and Congress will fail in the duty it owes to the people if it fails to subsidize the line between this Coast and Australia.

REMARKS OF IRVING M. SCOTT.

Irving M. Scott, Esq., proprietor of the Union Iron Works, followed in a brief but very positive address. He said the proposition for this city and the people of the Coast, is whether we shall allow this line of steamers to pass into the hands of foreign competitors for the commerce of America. Are the commercial men, mechanics and capitalists of San Francisco prepared to see this line pass away to the lines of the Orient and the steamers France and England are striving for the trade of Australia and China. He was with this view the Suez Canal was cut; and was the opening of that enterprise that gave it [illegible] the impetus to start his line. [illegible] before his time—before it was [illegible] against his judgment, with two steamers, which fact gives rise to many and incontestable opinions. The more than [illegible] on the Union Pacific proved an unfortunate occurrence for him by blocking up travel and draining passengers and mails. For the benefit [illegible] in such manner [illegible] but still it had an injurious effect. Yet Mr. Webb, the man who made the first move in the direction of the pride of the world, persevered, alone and unaided, relying solely on his own capital, and accomplished a grand result. It is a matter worthy of the Mechanics' Institute to take up this question and to urge that Congress shall grant the subsidy and maintain the supremacy of the Stars and Stripes on the great Pacific.

Mr. Scott then offered the following

Resolutions:

WHEREAS, By means of a generous support, backed with liberal subsidies, foreign governments have succeeded in supplanting all other lines in the Atlantic and South Pacific with steamers and companies run in the interest of and owned by foreign companies, and as the North Pacific is the only field unoccupied by such lines:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Mechanics' Institute of San Francisco that no foreign line should be allowed to obtain a footing on the North Pacific by any want of liberality, patronage or subsidies on the part of our Government.

Resolved, That the starting of the new line cannot be solely a financial and any view which looks to the economy of expenditure in starting is short-sighted and ruinous, which will in time drive all American lines from the Pacific, as it has already done on the Atlantic.

Resolved, That the Australian line, and other lines on the North Pacific, should be owned by Americans, built and native power built in America, and sustained, if needed, by the American Government.

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives be requested to extend all needed aid to the Australian line from San Francisco to Australia, popularly known as the Webb Line.

The resolutions were seconded by Peter Donahue.

HENRY F. WILLIAMS

Was the next speaker. As an old member of the Institute he felt pleased to say a word in favor of the resolutions. It is rarely that the Mechanics' Institute gives expression to its views on public matters, but it was never more important that it should do so than now. Mr. Webb is the master mechanic of the nation. He built up a large portion of the trade of the East, and now he comes before it, his foreign friends to aid to encourage and quicken the commerce of the Coast. We should most certainly encourage him. If it succeeds in his Australian line, it is his intention to build here, build on a large scale and invest his fortune in our city and coast. I am in favor of passing these resolutions of making them even stronger. If there is any man in Congress who should refuse a subsidy to this line, he lacks the duty and permits it to pass into foreign hands. I fully and cordially approve of the resolutions.

Solid Support.

Peter Donahue rose to support the resolutions. He said that as a pioneer, as a Californian and as an American citizen he felt a deep interest in this subsidy question, and he came there upon to hear what should be said than to speak himself. It is only a very short time since Mr. Webb came here. At that time the *Nevada* and *Nebraska* were ordered for sale. I went to examine them and purchase if I could, and as a practical engineer I could tell their quality. I intended to buy them for the Oregon trade, but I found they drew too much water and were not suitable. Yet I bid for them, and to that extent that Mr. Webb asked me if I wanted them. I said yes, but he outbid us all. They are good, substantial steamers, and well adapted for the Australian line. He was induced by merchants here to go into the Australian trade. He did so; but he had not enough steamers, and was compelled to do the best he could. He went East to build others, and during his absence two accidents occurred to machinery, which would happen to the best steamers.

The Burnside Subsidy.

Mr. Donahue referred to the Burnside proposed line, and said that the General had won honorably in the Army of the Union, but strange as it may seem, he took a prominent part in contending step by step with the interests of American commerce. But all steamship men know that Mr. Webb and General Burnside had a struggle in business, which may account for this opposition. These are rumors; where they came from I don't know, but they are put in the worst possible light in Washington. It is at least astonishing to see an American ship and American ships from American seas, and it must be in the interest of some Englishmen. [Applause.] The *Nevada* and *Nebraska* are called old hulks, when it is well-known they are first-rate ships. Had there been no snow blockade, as stated by Mr. Scott, Mr. Webb would have a trade sufficient to support the line, but not to pay. The speaker said he passed through the Straits of Magellan in the first American vessel coming here, in 1847. He found three steamers on this coast at that time, running between Panama and Talcahuano. A subsidy could not be got from the American Government by the projector, who then applied to England and got it, and it holds that trade to the South Pacific yet. The man who came out here in early days have some pride in this coast. We can build our own steamers, and we should encourage Mr. Webb in his enterprise. I am astonished that American Congressmen make speeches against American commerce and for the purpose of driving American ships from our seas. England has the commerce, but America should at least carry her own mails. We should open friendly relations with the people of the colonies and give them our manufactures in exchange for their goods. We have done this with the Chinese, who take our flour in large quantities and other goods. The Government has been liberal to some things. It has granted heavy subsidies to railroads to develop the internal resources of the country; why not be liberal to our shipping trade?

Here a gentleman, who is supposed to be the agent of the proposed Burnside line, spoke in favor of that project, saying that Webb had been invited by Australians to its establishment.

Mr. Scott in reply said, that if anything should call him again to his feet, it was as an American mechanic. In reply to the agent of the English Government, Mr. Scott went over his remarks and said they were English to uplift, while the lines of vessels named were English from keel to mast. We, as American mechanics, are here to ask an American Congress to give to an American line of steamers built on American soil. I know the gentleman well, I know his record, and I know why he is here.

Mr. Donahue—I understand he is the paid agent of another company.

Mr. Scott—The United States Government should give to American trade the carrying of the mails, which could not be done without a subsidy. If it does not do it, it is not up to the required standard of the dignity and requirements of American commerce. As American mechanics we ask the subsidy, because Mr. Webb, who is an American mechanic, took the initial movement in the establishment of the line. The French, who own the Society Islands, and the English inhabitants of Honolulu say, put on your line and we will patronize it.

Mr. Rankin repeated that, as Mr. Webb was the first in the field, he is certainly entitled to any support this Government may give.

The resolutions were then put to the meeting and unanimously adopted. It was also unanimously resolved, on motion of Mr. Donahue, that a committee be appointed to telegraph them to the representatives of the Pacific Coast in both Houses of Congress. Messrs. Donahue, Scott and Williams were appointed the committee, after which the meeting adjourned.

Samuel D. Wheeler
Recording Sec'y

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute

Mch 4th 1873

Meeting called to the order by the President

Present at Roll Call Messrs Bassett – Davis – Halliday – ~~Dedale~~ – Jones – Nelson – Patrick – Spaulding – Wells – Wheelan

The minutes of the Meeting of Feb 4th read and approved –

The Committee on Ways Means and Accounts presented the following bills – Audited –

Overland Monthly	$7.00	S.F. Gas Co.	1.60
Lib. Petty Cash	28.90	ditto	45.20
D. Hicks & Co	136.50	ditto	10.00
A Roman & Co	50.30	Lib. Petty Cash	25.50
A. L. Bancroft & Co	84.59	G. Co. Hurlbut	175.00
Ludwig & Co.	3.00	G. P. Coleman	100.00
Bulletin & Co Advt.	7.00	N. H. N. Smith	70.00
Payot Upham & Co	12.00	S. V. Water Works	18.00
ditto	20.00	Middleton & Co.	48.50
Bernard Quantel £5-18-17		J. H. O'Brien & Co.	27.72
		Plum, Bell & Co	6.00
		ditto	6.00
		A. S. Dedale	20.49
		ditto	3.69
		S. F. Chronicle Advt	13.75

On motion the bills were ordered paid and orders to be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

The following Report of the Librarian was presented and after having been read it was, on motion received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes and the financial portion referred to the Finance Committee. — The names of new members approved —

The Board of Trustees of the
Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to lay before you the following Report for the month of February:–

Amount received for Initiation Fees			$30.00
do.	do.	" dues	192.50
do.	do.	" rent, of C. F. Webster	150.00
do.	do.	" do. of J. F. Snow	70.00
do.	do.	" do. of C. C. Hinckley	62.00
do.	do.	" do. of do.	125.00
do.	do.	" do. of P. A. Espina	45.00
do.	do.	" do. of H. Blyth Jr.	120.00
do.	do.	" do. of W. G. Badger	15.00
do.	do.	" do. of J. O'Donnell	70.00
			$879.50

Balance on hand Feb 1st		$119.00
Amount of Fees & Dues collected		222.50
do of Rents collected		657.00
		$998.50
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$920.25	
Petty Cash Bills	48.40	
Balance on hand March 1st	29.85	$998.50

All rents are now paid in full to the 1st March, and Mr. Hinckley has this day paid Sixty dollars on account of the rent for the current month.

Thirty new members have joined the Institute:

C. R. Scoffin	Wm. Stokes	C. C. Miller
M. E. Shaffner	G. D. Nyman	Mary P. Stearns
Albert Mayer	Colin McCallum	Z. R. Robinett
M. Shinpeir	F. Katz	Dr. H. R. Wirtz
Adelaide A. Rowe	R. W. Getty	J. E. Tucker
F. B. Joyce	A. Summerfield Jr.	A. Kraus
Lewis Locke	E. B. Condon	C. M. Pattiani
F. A. Nass	A. A. Willis	W. Hood
W. M. Neilson	Wm. Hampton	W Alison
C. P. Stanford	Jas. Stevenson	T. F. Creighton

There have been added to the Library, by purchase, One hundred and five volumes, classified as follows: Fiction 53, Science and Art 31, Travel 6, History 3, Essays 10, Wit & Humor 1 – Theology 1.

Donations have been received —

from the Board of Supervisors
Municipal Reports 1871-2
from Colonel G. H. Mendell
Report of Chief of Engineers, 1872.
from C. H. Swenson
Petralogy, a Treatise on Rocks, 2 vols.
from Hon. C. Cole
The British Case
before the Tribunal at Geneva. 3 vols.
The books withdrawn from the Library for the month number 6.154, classified as follows: Romance 4.502, History 164, Periodicals 142. Poetry 103, Biography 167. Travels 177, Science & Art 319, Religion 74, Essays &c 331, French 129, Spanish 3, German 49.

All of which is respectfully submitted
(Signed) G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
March 4th 1873.

The Quarterly Report of the
Committee on Books & Donations
was received and ordered spread on the minutes.
On motion the Committee was empowered to purchase the books referred to. —

The Committee on Books and Donations report:
There have been added to the Library by purchase, during the past quarter, three hundred and four volumes, classified as follows: —
Fiction 155 — History 28 — Science & Art 62 — Dictionary 1 — Biography 12 — General Literature 14 — Theology 4 — Travel 7 — Wit & Humor 4 — Law 4 — and Poetry 3.
The volumes circulated in the same time number: —
Fiction 13.936 — History 468 — Periodicals 393 — Poetry 294 — Biography 498 — Travel 576 — Science & Art 921 — Religion 219 — General Literature 968 — French 364 — German 145 — Spanish 10 —; a total of 18,692 volumes.
It is to be hoped that in time there will be a decrease in the number of works of fiction withdrawn from the Library, in comparison with books of a more wholesome character. At the same time it is satisfactory to notice that there is a steady demand among our members for reading of a serious and profitable nature; and the interest in the Library was never more lively than now.
Your Committee would call the attention of the

Board to a very valuable collection of works on "Indian Engineering", consisting of Professional Papers edited and arranged by Sir. Proby Cautley, complete from its commencement in 1863 to 1870, in 7 vols. royal octavo. This we think would be a valuable acquisition to our library, but owing to the low state of our finances, the Committee do not feel like taking the responsibility of making the purchase without consulting the Board. The price is £12.

All of which is respectfully submitted
(Signed) George Spaulding
Robt B. Woodward.

The following Monthly — Quarterly and Sinking Fund — Reports of the Treasurer were read received and referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Accounts

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen
I herewith present my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for February 1873

Receipts

On a/c of Rents	657.00
" " " Collections	263.25
Total	920.25

Disbursements

Amt paid		
Locke & Montague	Furnace Grate	10.00
Middleton & Co	Coal	31.00
Roman & Co.	Books	26.36
Bancroft & Co.	"	97.09
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Jany.	175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" " "	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	90.25
S. F. Gas. Co.	Gas for Dec.	126.35
Water Co.	Water for Jany	18.00
W. C. Loomis	Newspapers, Magazines &c	336.35
Cubery & Co	Printing	4.50
Morris, Schwab & Co.	Lt Frames	4.00
A. S. Tredale	Pipes &c	3.00
Carried Forward		1091.90

Amount brought forward	1091.90
Hemin Ins. Co. Int. to Feb 9th	41.66
Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts	92.02
Due Treasurer as per Report for Jany	1099.84
Total	2325.42

Balance due Treasurer this date $1405.17/100

San Francisco } Respectfully Submitted
Feb. 28th 1873 } (Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treas

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

Herewith I hand you my Quarterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements ending Feb. 28th 1873

Receipts

For Dec. 1872 on a/c of Rents	595.00
" " " " " Collections	692.30
" January 1873 " " " Rents	758.00
" " " " " " Collections	529.56
" " " Sale of Pulleys & Shafting	212.00
" February " on a/c of Rents	657.00
" " " " " Collections	263.25
Total	3707.11

Disbursements

For December 1872	1044.52
" January 1873	1293.15
" Febuary 1873	1225.58
Due Treasurer per last Quarterly Report	1549.03
Total	5112.28

Balance due Treasurer this date $1405.17/100

San Francisco } Respectfully Submitted
February 28th 1873 } (Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treas.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements on a/c of the Sinking Fund for the Quarter ending Feb. 28th 1873

Receipts

For December 1872	128.73
" January 1873	149.95
" February "	92.02
Balance in Treasury as per last Report	2236.79
Total	2607.49

Disbursements

Amount Paid	
Tax Collector for Real Estate Taxes 1872x3	1200.00
do " Personal " " "	150.00
Total	1350.00

Balance to Cr. of Fund this date $1257.49/100

San Francisco } Respectfully Submitted
February 28th 1873 } (Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treas.

The Special Committee on the arrangment and preservation of Geological Specimens were granted further time.

On motion it was ordered that all Oriental Minerals be donated to the University of California

A Communication from G. H. Mitchell & Co in reference to Window trimmings received, read, and ordered placed on file and photographs to be returned

On motion adjourned.

S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
March 18th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call Messrs. Bassett, Davis - Hollidie - Jones - Martenstein - Spaulding - Wills & Wheeler

The Minutes of Feb. 14th and Mar. 4th read and approved.

Committee on Library, Rooms & Building reported the building in good repair and the Tenants paying rent

Committee on Ways Means & Accounts presented the bill of the Union Ins. Co. for $115.00 per Ins. On Motion it was ordered to be paid and that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the amount. The Bill included Premium Tax & Stamps

The Bill of the City Gas Co. was ordered to be laid over to next meeting.

Moved and Seconded and passed that the Committee on Library, Rooms, and Building be requested to call on Mr. Herald and get his proposals in reference to renting the room now occupied by Mr. Espina and see what can be done towards effecting a lease as $70. per month for one year. Adjourned

S. H. Wheeler Secy.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
April 1st 1873

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call Messrs. Bassett - Davis - Hollidie - Iredale - Jones - Patrick - Spaulding & Wheeler

Minutes Read & Approved -

Committee on Library Rooms & Building presented the following written Report which was received and approved.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics. Institute

Gentlemen:-

Your committee to whom was referred the matter of leasing Rooms in the 3d Story to Mr. Herald respectfully report that Mr. Herald has offered for the same $75.00 per month for 3 mos and $65.00 per mo. for 9 mo. following. Which your Committee have accepted provided possession can be given, and that the Institute Attorneys by direction of your committee have given the present occupant the necessary notice to vacate

Very Respectfully
A. R. Wills
(Signed) A. F. Iredale } Com

The Committee on Ways Means and Accts presented Bills - Audited - as follows:-

S. V. W. Works	Water for March	$18.00
Lib. Petty Cash	Ways Means & Accts.	15.65
ditto	Books & Donations	49.35
Middleton & Co.	Coal	18.00
G. G. Hurlbut	Salary for March	175.00
G. P. Coleman	ditto	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	ditto	70.00
Dewey & Co.	Sec. Press & Rural Press	10.00
Carrier "Alta"	3 Copies "Alta"	12.00
Payot, Upham & Co.	Ink	1.25
J. Roman & Co.	Books &c	37.25
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	54.25
Amount	Forward	$560.75

Brought Forward	$560.75
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	117.75
Ammnt	$678.50

Ordered that order be drawn on the Treasurer for the Ammnts.

The Bills of the City Gas Co. were on motion passed and ordered that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the Ammnts

Bill for Jan to Feb 17th	$85.68
" " Feb. 17 to Mch 17	88.32
Ammnt	$174.00

Mr. Chas. Alpers being ammnced it was on motion passed that he be granted 10 minutes to state his case to the Board

Mr. Alpers and Mr. Connor Secy of Hayes Park Association were introduced and offered the Property of the Association for sale to the Institute for $95.000 — $37.000 Mortgage to lay in the French Bonds and a Second Mortgage for the balance at 8 or 9%

The gentlemen having retired it was passed that the Board decide not to purchase any unproductive property this season.

The Following Report of the Librarian was read received, ordered spread on the minutes and financial portion referred to committee on Ways Means and Accounts:—

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:—

I beg leave to report for the month of March as follows:—

Ammnt received for Initiation Fees	$32.00
do " for Collection of Dues	901.50
do " for Rent. C. F. Webster	150.00
do " do J. F. Snow	70.00
do " do C. E. Hinckley	125.00
do " do P. A. Caspina	45.00
do " do H. Blyth for year 125.00	115.00
do " do do Small Room	7.50
do " do J. O'Donnell	70.00
	$1516.00

Balance March 1st		$78.25
Received for Collection & Fees		933.50
do " Rents		582.50
		$1594.25
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1487.40	
Petty Cash Bills March	65.00	
Cash on Hand, April 1st	41.85	$1594.25

Thirty two new members have joined the Institute viz:

C. C. Barton	Mary Matthews	J. H. Patterson
Kate Fitzgerald	C. R. Cabot	N. L. Silberson
J. Collings	J. J. Mooney	J. L. Lowe
C. Swyney	A. T. Jones	R. N. Tate
H. M. McGill	W. W. Ross	C. A. Kelley
A. L. Williams	A. J. Forbes	Mrs M. Pritchard
W. Hammond Hall	C. H. Hewitt	Thos F. Kelley
Mrs S. Sutherland	W. H. Patten	F. H. Jones
W. D. Johnston	Jas. F. Meagher	Miss. F. Cohen
W. J. Donovan	W. W. Scott	William Rowe
C. C. Harris	W. Garrick	

There have been added to the Library One hundred and thirteen volumes, classified as follows:— Fiction 48 — Travel 4 — Science & Art 32 — History 14 — Essays 10 — Biography 3 — Poetry 1 — Theology 1

The donations received have been:—

from Hon. C. Cole

Preliminary Report of the U. S. Geological Survey of Montana.

from W. H. Boyd Washington

Directory of the District of Columbia for 1873

from Hon. A Sargent

Commercial Relations 1871

The volumes withdrawn from the Library were, Romance 4.481 — History 159 — Periodicals 149 — Poetry 105 — Biography 168 — Travels 182 — Science & Art 324 — Religion 78 — Essays &c 327 — French 105 — German 524 — in all 6.135

I would call the attention of the Board to the necessity of providing more class room shelf

in the Reference Library, the growth of which has overtaken our present accommodations

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) G. C. Hewlett
Librarian

San Francisco
April 1st 1873

On motion the names of new members were approved.

The following Monthly Report of the Treasurer was read, received, referred, and ordered spread on the minutes

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

Herewith I present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for March 1873

Receipts

On a/c of Rents		582.50
" " " Collections		904.90
	Total	1487.40

Disbursements

Amount Paid		
G. C. Hewlett	Salary for Feb.	175.00
G. P. Coleman	do	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	do	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	48.40
S. Roman & Co.	Books	50.30
Bancroft & Co.	"	84.59
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing	21.72
Wm Bell & Co.	Curtains & Shades	12.00
Middleton & Co.	Coal	48.50
D. Nicolas & Co.	Binding	136.50
A. S. Dredale	Plumbing	24.18
Payot Upham & Co.	Books	32.00
S. F. Gas Co.	Gas to Close	13.75
Chronicle	Advt	18.00
City Gas Co	Service Pipe	7.00
B. Quantel	Books	229.65
Wells, Russell & Co.	Removing Dam to	9.50
Amount Forward		

Brought Forward

Union Ins. Co.	Int. & Marg.	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	146.74
Amount due Treasurer as per Report Feby		1405.17
Total		2749.91

Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $1262.57

San Francisco
March 31st 1873

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

Bids for Putting up Shelving in Reference Library were opened and read as follows:—

G. L. Perent bid $90.00
Johnston & Best bid $90.00

On motion the Contract was awarded to G. L. Perent.

Moved Seconded & Passed that the Life Membership Fund be loaned to the General Fund.

On motion adjourned

Samuel H. Wheeler
Recording Secy

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
April 15th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call – Messrs Bassett - Brunner Hallidie - Jones - Patrick - Spaulding - Wells & Wheeler

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported the new shelving completed and the building in good repair.

The Secretary reported that Mr Bowman had been absent for five successive meetings.

On motion ordered that the Secretary correspond with the delinquent members and call their attention to Sec 10 – Art XI. of the Constitution

The matter of the room on the ~~third~~ third floor, now occupied by Mr. Espina be referred to the Committee on Library Rooms and Building with power to act.

On motion Adjourned

S H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 6th 1873

Meeting called to order by Vice President J. C. Patrick

Present at Roll Call Messrs. Patrick Davis - Tredaly - Wells - Bassett - Mortenstein Spaulding - Jones & Nelson.

The following Bills – audited – were presented by the Finance Committee.

Comm'l Bulletin	5 Copies	22.50
Spring Valley W. W.	Water April	18.00
City Gas Co.	Gas to April 1st	36.72
Payot. Upham & Co.	Books "	30.00
C. L. Parent	Shelves in Ref Rms	97.50
Wells. Russell & Co.	Labor	13.50
J. F. Page	Steel Stamps	16.00
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	6.00
Plum Bell & Co.	Two Mats	19.00
S. C. Hembert	Salary April	175.00
S. P. Coleman	ditto	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	ditto	70.00
J. B. McIntyre	Binding	23.50
A. S. Tredale	Plumbing	24.62
A. Roman & Co.	Books. April	57.58
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	do.	99.58
Lib. Petty Cash -	Books & Donations &c.	27.20
ditto	Ways. Means & Adv.	22.45
W. C. Dennis	papers etc. to Apl	166.05

On motion ordered that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts and the bills paid.

The Bill of J. C. Hanscom for Packing Patent Office Models was referred to the President to be reported on at the next meeting

Committee on Library Rooms & Building reported that Mr. Heald had taken possession of the Room on the third floor formerly occupied by Mr. Espina – for one year at a Monthly Rental of $75.

for the first three month and $65.00 per month thereafter.

The following Report of the Treasurer for the past month was received. read. and referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for April 1873

Receipts

On acc of Rent	580.00
" " " Collections	342.50
Amt. Transfered from Special Life Mem. Fund	800.00
Total	1722.50

Disbursements

Amt paid		
Bancroft & Co.	for Books	117.75
Middleton & Co.	" Coal	18.00
Roman & Co.	" Books	37.22
Union Ins. Co.	" Premium	115.00
Carrie of Alta	" Subscription	12.00
Dewey & Co.	" Scien. Press & Rural Press	10.00
G. W. Hamlett	" Salary for March	175.00
C. P. Coleman	" " " "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" " " "	70.00
Librarian	" Petty Cash	65.00
City Gas Co.	" Gas to Mar. 17	174.00
Water Co	" Water for Mar.	18.00
Bulletin	" Advt	7.00
Cubery & Co.	" Printing	3.00
Union Ins. Co.	" Interest to April 9	41.66
Sinking Fund	" 10% of Receipts	172.25
Amt due Treas. as per report for March		1262.57
Total		2398.39

Balance due Treasurer this date $675.89

San Francisco
April 30th 1873

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

The following Report of the Librarian was read. received and the financial portion referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:

I beg leave to lay before you the following report for the month of April:-

Amount received for Initiation fees		$30.00
do do Dues		266.25
do do Rent from C. F. Webster		150.00
do do " " J. F. Snow		70.00
do do " " P. A. Espina		45.00
do do " " H. Blyth Jr		
$127.50 less gas $7.50		120.00
do do " rent from C. C. Kinckley		125.00
do do do J. C. Donnelly		70.00
		876.25

Balance on hand, April 1st	$106.85
Collections in April	296.25
Rents in April	580.00
	$983.10

Paid H. L. Davis - Treasurer	$922.50	
Petty Cash Bills in April	49.65	
Cash on hand May 1st	10.95	$983.10

All bills for the two courses of Lectures having been paid, there is left on hand the sum of Eighty five Dollars.

Thirty new members have joined the Institute viz.

Frank Dooley	R. H. Grant	H. G. Hanks
J. W. Tobin	W. R. Shaw	F. P. Lowell
Minnie Lewis	C. V. Millett	A. H. Richardson
Eugene McCarthy	H. W. Cleaveland	Mrs. H. Brown
Jas. C. Mack	H. Gilbert	John Jennings
C. H. Martin	J. D. Blackman	C. C. Powell
L. Gullixson	H. J. Howe	S. D. Stone
B. H. Mendell	C. Stegman	H. Santhier
Saml Greer	P. Soule	Michael O'Brien
H. G. Smith	Miss Kate Eckel	W. McLaflin

There have been added to the Library by purchase One hundred and eighteen volumes, classified as follows: Law 3 – General Literature 6 – Science & Art 26 – Dictionaries 5 – Travels 10 – History 4 – Fiction 60 – Biography 3 – Poetry 1 –

Donations have been received
from Hon A. A. Sargent
Explorations and Surveys for a Ship Canal
Isthmus of Tehuantepec
from John S. Hittell
Domestic Life of Thos. Jefferson
from Hon. E. Casserly
Ninth Census –
Population and Social Statistics.

There were taken from the Library: Novels 4.417 – History 157 – Periodicals 153 – Poetry 108 – Biography 147 – Travels 171 – Science and Art 310 – Religion 72 – General Literature 294 – French 103 – Spanish 2 – German 50 – In all 5.984 volumes

All of which is respectfully submitted
(Signed) B. E. Hurlbut

San Francisco
May 6th 1873

On motion the names of new members were approved.

The Communication of Jas. A. Miller – Agent of the Champion Fire Extinguisher was referred to the Committee on Library Rooms & Building with the President & Vice President.

Communication of F. Sesegni in reference to renting the Trustees Room referred Chairman of Com. on Library Rooms & Building and the President.

Communication from Mr. Peters referred to the Comm. on Site for Pavilion.

The donation of $25. to each Librarian from the surplus from Lectures laid over to next meeting

The following Resolutions were presented and passed unanimously

Whereas: Some months since, President Hallidie, made, to the Institute, an anonymous gift of a set of handsome chairs and tables, for use in the Reference Library, which have added greatly to the comfort of the members frequenting that room, therefore:–

Resolved:– that this Board gladly take this opportunity to thank our President for this prompt, among so many, of his deep interest in the welfare of the Mechanics Institute, and we take pleasure in placing on our records this testimony of the high appreciation we have of his untiring zeal and indefatigable exertions for the general good and welfare of this association

On motion of Mr. Davis it was proposed that the President address the board of Underwriters in regard to the Insurance of this building at special rates

On motion Adjourned
H H Jones Secty pro Tem

No quorum present at meeting on 20th May

Special Meeting of the Institute

Library Rooms of the Institute
Wednesday May 14th 1873

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie

Present a quorum.

The President in calling the meeting to order stated that its object was to elect a nominating committee to nominate candidates for the approaching election of trustees

Moved seconded and passed that the committee consist of five members

Nominations being in order:–
James Moffit W. H. Burch
N. W. Spaulding H. C. Bunker
R. T. Van Norden & J. H. Lawton

were named.

Nominations were then closed and A. R. Wells & M. A. Clark were appointed tellers

The whole number of ballots cast were 14.

N. W. Spaulding – W. H. Birch – H. C. Bunker J. H. Culver and R. T. Van Norden – had a majority and were declared to be the committee.

It was voted that the Committee should report on Saturday evening May 24th

On Motion Adjourned

Emil H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute
Wed May 13th 1873

The President called the meeting to order and stated that the meeting had been called in pc of the Special Meeting of the Institute called for to night

Present at Roll Call – Messrs Bassett – Jones – Montenstein Nelson – Hallidie – Spaulding – Wells & Wheeler

Mr Bassett moved that the Librarian be instructed to prepare a list of the qualified voters and place it in a conspicuous place – Passed.

On Motion Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy

Adjourned Special Meeting of the Institute

Hall of the Institute
Saturday May 24th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present a Quorum

The Committee on Nominations presented the following report which was on motion approved and the Committee discharged :–

To the President, Board of Trustees, and Members of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:

Your Committee appointed to nominate Trustees, to be voted for at the Annual Election to be held June 2d 1873, beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the qualifications for such offices, and cheerfully submit the names of the following Gentlemen, as fully qualified to serve in such positions

The Committee have endeavored to fulfil the trust reposed in them with only the best interests of the Institute in view. We hope our labors will meet with the approbation of the Officers and members of the Institute

J. C. Patrick	Hardware Merchant
Richard Savage	Foundry man
Charles Elliott	Engineer S. V. W. W.
John N. McDonald	Millman
J. P. Curtis	Contractor & Builder
H. W. Jones	Real Estate & Collector
P. B. Cornwall	Pres. B. D. Coal Co.

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed)
N. W. Spaulding
R. T. Van Norden
H. C. Bunker
Wm H. Birch
J. H. Culver
Committee

San Francisco
May 24th 1873

Adjourned

S. H. Wheeler Secy

Special Meeting of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Meay 27th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call Messrs- Bassett- Hallidie - Irdale - Jones - Montenstein - Wells & Wheeler

Minutes Read & Approved after having been amendment

On motion it was voted that the Board go into the election of Judges and Clerkes of Election

H. P. Herriek - Jacob Browning and H. L. Macy were put in nomination for Judges of Election.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot.

H. P. Herriek - Jacob Browning & H. L. Macy were chosen.

H. S. Smith - F. F. Osborn - H. N. Cleveland & Greenhagen were nominated for Clerkes of Election

Mr. Iredale was appointed teller

Whole number of votes 7.

H. S. Cleveland and Greenhagen were elected.

M. M. Easter - B. H. Freeman & N. T. Garratt were nominated for Installing Committee.

On Motion the Secretary cast the ballot for the the gentlemen named (& Iredale)

Messrs. Spaulding - Jones were appointed committee on Social Reunion at the Installation.

On motion the Installation & Reunion with the arrangements thereof were referred to the committee with power

Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
June 3d 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call - Messrs. Bassett - Davis - Hallidie - Irdale - Jones - Patrick - Spaulding - Wells - & Wheeler -

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Committee on Books & Donations presented the following Report:-

The Committee on Books and Donations beg to submit their Report for the Quarter ending May 31st 1873

There have been added to the Library the past quarter 351 volumes. The number of books withdrawn from the library during the same period 18.119.

As this Report will close the fiscal year it may not be out of place to recapitulate the doings of the Committee for the past year.

The whole number of books added to the Library the past year exceeded 1300 volumes. These comprised some very valuable works on science and art, among which we may mention:-

Specifications of Patents. The first volumes of the re-issue of old patents in enlarged style, have been received.

Littré's Great French Dictionary, 4 vols 4to.

Zoölogical Society's Reports 7 vols 4to

Turgan's Works on French Industries – 2 vols 4to.
Reed's Iron Shipbuilding
Geological Exploration 40th Parallel.

This number is certainly not a large permanent increase to our Library; but it is nevertheless a great addition when the general character of the Books is considered. Another point may also be considered. This number does not include the periodicals which are from time to time bound in substantial and elegant binding and put upon our shelves in a permanent form, and contribute largely to the general increase.

There have been taken from the Library the past year 74.676 volumes, a number which shows that our members continue to avail themselves of the resources within their reach.

It is to be hoped that the coming year will show a large addition of books than the past year. It is a fact well known to the members of the Board that the expenses in repairs to the building and Library Rooms have been large, in a measure cramping our funds and thereby curtailing the means of supplying new books.

The Books in the Reference Library are in the main, in good condition, as it has been the aim of the Committee to preserve the most valuable books by substantial if not elegant binding. This Room we may well feel proud of. It contains the cream of the books belonging to the Library and it is to be hoped that the same care and attention will be given to it in the future as in the past.

In closing this Report, the Chairman desires to express his hearty thanks to his colleagues of the Committee for the energy with which they have seconded his efforts during the past year. He gives them credit for the unanimity with which they have sustained his suggestions and he can confidently say they have been of his mind in all things.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) George Spaulding

On motion the Report was received, ordered to be spread on the minutes and a vote of thanks made to the Committee.

The Committee on Library, Rooms & Building presented the following report; which was read received, ordered to be spread on the minutes and a vote of thanks made to the Committee

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building beg leave to report;

The changes during the quarter have been the relinquishment of the room on the third floor by Mr. Espina, to whom it was rented at Forty-five dollars a month; and the occupation of the same by Mr. C. P. Herald to whom it has been leased for one year from the 1st of May last, at a monthly rental of Seventy-five dollars for the first three months, and of Sixty five Dollars for the nine months following.

The small room on the second floor, usually occupied by the Board of Trustees, has also been rented, to Mr. F. Seregni, from month to month, at twenty five dollars a month. Possession was given on the 13th of May.

All the available space in the Institute is now disposed of and the Committee think it a matter of congratulation that they have succeeded in securing a class of tenants, so reputable and orderly.

The revenue of the Institute from rents now amounts to Six Hundred and Thirty-five dollars monthly; which amount will be reduced on the 1st of August to six hundred and twenty five dollars.

The building is now in thoroughly good repair and your Committee do not look forward to the necessity of any outlays in that direction, during the year.

(Signed) D. R. Wells
A. S. Dodd

The Treasurer presented the following - monthly - quarterly - annual and sinking fund reports.

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:-
I herewith present my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for May 1873.

Receipts

On a/c of Rents		617.50
" " " Collections		172.15
	Total	789.65

Disbursements

Amt. Paid		
C. L. Perrent	for Shelving	97.50
Wells, Russell & Co.	Labor	13.50
Plum Bell & Co.	2 Mats	19.00
A. Roman & Co.	Books	57.58
Bancroft & Co.	"	99.58
Cavis of Bulletin	Subscription	22.50
Payot, Upham & Co.	Books	30.00
do.	Ink	1.25
G. C. Hewlett	Salary for April	175.00
G. P. Coleman	do.	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	do.	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	49.65
J. McCantype	Binding	23.50
A. S. Tredale	Plumbing	24.62
D. Hickes & Co.	Binding	54.25
do.	do.	6.00
Water Co.	Water for April	18.00
Gas Co.	Gas to April 1	36.72
W. E. Loomis	Papers, Periodicals &c.	166.05
Union Ins. Co.	Int. to May 9th	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	78.96
Balance due Treasurer as per Report for April		675.89
	Total	1861.21

Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $1071.56/100

San Francisco
May 31st 1873

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:
I herewith submit my quarterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Quarter ending May 31st 1873

Receipts

For March on a/c of Rents		582.50
" " " " " Collections		904.90
" April " " " Rents		580.00
" " " " " Collections		342.50
" " Amt Transferred from Life Membership Fund		800.00
" May on a/c of Rents		617.50
" " " " " Collections		172.15
	Total	3999.53

Disbursements

For March		1344.74
" April		1135.88
" May		1185.32
Amt. due Treasurer as per last Quarterly Report		1405.17
	Total	5071.11

Leaving balance due Treasurer this date $1071.56/100

San Francisco
May 31st 1873

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:

I herewith present my Annual Report of the Receipts & Disbursements

Receipts

For June 1872		1151.00
" July	"	1432.05
" August	"	778.10
" September	"	1349.97
" October	"	962.95
" November	"	632.47
" December	"	1287.30
" January	1873	1499.56
" February	"	920.25
" March	"	1487.40
" April	"	1722.50
" May	"	789.65
	Total	14013.20

Disbursements

For June	1872	1088.01
" July	"	1583.89
" August	"	1141.51
" September	"	1255.04
" October	"	1212.75
" November	"	1304.53
" December	"	1044.52
" January	1873	1293.15
" February	"	1225.58
" March	"	1344.74
" April	"	1135.88
" May	"	1185.32
balance due Treasr at last Annual Report		269.84
	Total	15084.76

leaving balance due Treasr at this date $1071.56

San Francisco
May 31st 1873 } (Signed) Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasr.

To the President & Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my Annual Report of the {Sinking Fund. Receipts and Disbursements on a/c of the

Receipts

For June	1872	115.10
" July	"	143.20
" August	"	77.81
" September	"	134.99
" October	"	96.29
" November	"	63.24
" December	"	128.73
" January	1873	149.95
" February	"	92.02
" March	"	148.74
" April	"	172.25
" May	"	78.96
Amount in Treasury as per last Annual Rpt		1606.16
		3007.44

3007.44

Disbursements

Amt Paid
City & County Real Estate Taxes 1872&73 $1200.
do Personal " " " 150.
Total 1350. 1350.00

Leaving balance to credit of Sinking Fund 1657.44

San Francisco
May 31st 1873 } (Signed) Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasr

On motion the Treasurers Reports were received referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Yeas and ordered to be spread on the minutes

The following Rept of the Librarian was read received, ordered Spread on the minutes and financial portion referred.

On motion the names of new members were approved.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:-

I have the honor to report for the Month of May, as follows:-

Amount received for	Initiation fees	$30.00
do	do " Dues Collected	228.25
do	do " Life Membership	50.00
do	do " C. F. Webster	150.00
do	do " J. F. Snow	70.00
do	do " Heralds Business College	75.00
do.	do. " H. Blyth Jr.	127.50
do.	do. " J. O'Donnell	70.00
do.	do. " C. E. Hinckley	125.00
		$920.75

Balance on hand May 1st		$60.60
Collections in May		303.25
Rents in May		617.50
		$981.35
Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer	839.65	
Petty Cash Bills	65.55	
Balance June 1st	76.15	$981.35

Mr. Seignr took possession of his room on the 13th of May.

Thirty new members have joined the Institute viz:-

T. W. Fleming	John O'Brien	Chas. Hampton
J. H. Downey	C. Ammerman	M. J. Connell
H. J. Moore	F. J. Melis	C. Mellick
Mrs. S. Barthome	John Mc Cline	W. A. Aiken
J. H. Rundle	C. H. Van Orden	C. J. Anderson
Jas. Fitzjames	Miss. H. Jory	C. S. Blair
J. H. Braffam	David Bole	R. A. Fisher
V. S. Vincent	R. H. Hessin	S. B. Kirk
Jno. Cash	Rev. Thomas	C. T. Young
G. W. Way	Alex. Portens	O. Brooks

Mr. Charles Prettejohn, an old member, has paid for a Life Membership.

There have been added to the Library, by purchase, One hundred Volumes, classified as follows:- Fiction 54, Science & Art 23- Travels 2- Dictionaries 2, History 3, Poetry 2, General Literature 9 Dictionaries 2, Law 1, Political Economy 2—

Donations have been received
from the Hon. C. Clayton
Report of Department of Agriculture
for 1870 & 71, 2 vols,

There have been withdrawn from the Library 6338 volumes, viz:- Novels and Romances 4625- History 179- Periodicals 149- Poetry 138- Biography 171- Travels 182- Science & Art 323- Religion 74- General Literature 319- French 128- German 53.

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) C. C. Hewlett
Librarian

San Francisco
June 3rd 1873

The Committee on Ways Means & Accs. presented the following bills- approved- and were ordered paid.

Harris Bulletin	5 Copies Papers	$22.50	725
S.F.W. Works	Water for April	18.00	726
City Gas Co.	Gas to April 1	36.72	727
Payot Upham & Co.	Books in April	30.00	728
C.L. Perent	Shelves in Ref. Library	97.50	729
Wells. Russell & Co.	Labor	13.50	730
J. F. Page	Steel Stamps	16.00	731
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	6.00	732
Plum Bill & Co.	Two Mats	19.00	733
C. C. Hewlett	Salary April	175.00	734
G. P. Coleman	do.	100.00	735
W. H. N. Smith	do.	70.00	736
J. B. Mc Intyre	Binding	23.50	737
A. S. Dodale	Plumbing	24.62	738
A. Roman & Co.	Books April	57.58	739
A. L. Bancroft & Co.	do.	99.58	740
Librarian's Petty Cash	Papers &c	27.20	741
do.	Way & Means	22.45	742
W. C. Lewis	papers &c to April	166.05	743
		$1018.20	

The Report of the Judges of Election was read received, ordered to be spread on the minutes and a vote of thanks tendered to the Judges.

Report of the Judges of Election

To the President, Board of Trustees & Members
of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen:-

~~The undersigned Judges~~ We the undersigned Judges for the Election of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute for the coming year beg leave to report as follows:-

The whole number of votes polled was One Hundred & thirty seven

J. C. Patrick	received	136 votes
Richard Savage	"	76 "
Charles Elliott	"	135 "
John H. Macdonald	"	135 "
J. P. Curtis	"	137 "
H. W. Jones	"	136 "
P. B. Cornwall	"	137 "
J. W. Schaefer	"	62 "

(Signed) H. P. Herriet
H. C. Macy
J. H. Gilmore
} Judges

A Communication was read from Mrs. Scrigni asking for the annulling of the condition requiring him to give up the use of the room occupied by him to the Millmens Association from 1.30 to 2.30 P. M. on each Monday.

On motion the communication was received, placed on file and the request refused.

On Motion Adjourned.
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Annual Meeting of the Institute
Hall of the Institute
June 7th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President A. S. Hallidie.

Present a Quorum.

The minutes of Quarterly meeting Dec. 7th Special Meeting Feb. 18th, Special Meetings May 14th & 24th were read and approved

The Repot of the Judges of Election was read received and ordered to be spread on the minutes

Report of Judges of Election

San Francisco June 2d 1873

To the President & Board of Trustees of
the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen.

We the undersigned Judges for the Election of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute for the coming year, beg leave to report as follows:-

The whole number of votes polled was One Hundred & thirty Seven --

J. C. Patrick	received	136 votes
Richard Savage	"	76 "
Chas. Elliott	"	135 "
John H. Macdonald	"	135 "
J. P. Curtis	"	137 "
H. W. Jones	"	136 "
P. B. Cornwall	"	137 "
J. W. Schaefer	"	62 "

(Signed) H. P. Herriet
H. C. Macy
J. H. Gilmore
} Judge "

The Annual Report of the President was read received and ordered to be placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Patrick it was ordered that the Reading Room & the Chess Room be closed henceforth at 10 P.M. on Saturdays.

On motion of Mr. Macy it was ordered that one thousand (Copies) of the Presidents Annual Report be printed and circulated.

On motion Adjourned,
Samuel H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Meeting of the New Board of Trustees for Organization
Rooms of the Institute
June 7th 1873

On motion, Mr. Wells was called to the Chair.

Mr. Wheeler was chosen Secretary Pro tem.

On motion the Secretary was ordered to cast the ballot for Mr. Halliday as President

Mr. S. F. Halliday was elected unanimously

Mr. Halliday took the Chair
The remaining officers were elected as follows:-

Vice President	Jas. H. Patrick
Treasurer	H. L. Davis
Recording Secretary	S. H. Wheeler
Corresponding "	H. W. Jones

On motion adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees
June 17th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call – Messrs. Cornwall Davis – Elliott – Halliday – Jones – Macdonald – Patrick – Savage – Spaulding – Wells & Wheeler

Minutes of Previous Meetings read & approved –

Committees now appointed as follows:-

Ways Means & Accounts
Messrs. Tredale Curtis & Macdonald

Library Rooms & Building
Messrs. Wells – Curtis & Elliott

Books & Donations
Messrs. Spaulding Cornwall & Savage

Lectures & Classes
Messrs. Woodward – Cornwall & Elliott

Mr. Patrick – seconded by Mr. Wells offered the following – which was passed:-

Resolved:- that no Member of the Board of Trustees shall be interested in any Contract connected with repairs and improvements connected with the Institute.

The following was offered and on motion indefinitely postponed

Resolved- that notice be immediately given Mr F. Seregni that the rooms now occupied by him in the Mechanics Institute will be required by the Institute in 30 days.

A Motion was put that the Chess Room be closed.

Amended and passed: that the Committee on Library Rooms & Building report on the feasibility of closing the Chess Room

On motion it was ordered that the Reading Room and the Chess Room be closed at 10 P.M on Saturdays.

Adjourned
F. K. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute,
July 1st 1873

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie

Present at Roll Call Messrs - Savage, Woodward - Elliott - Jones - Wells - Cornwall and Davis.

Committee on Library Rooms & Building were granted further time in which to report on the feasibility of closing the Chess Room

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts presented the following Bills - approved

Carries of "Bulletin"	Papers	$ 26.25
" " "Alta"	"	12.00
S.V.W. Works Co.	Water June	18.00
Albert Levy	2 Arch. Books	25.00
Britton & Rey	Printing Envelopes	65.00
S. F. Gas Light Co.	Gas in May	60.24
J. H. Carmany & Co.	2 Copies "Overland"	7.00
"Aben Post"	Advtg Elections	5.00
Dewey & Co.	do.	3.00
S. F. Chronicle	do.	12.00
F. Hess - "Democrat"	do.	5.00
W. H. N. Smith	Salary June	70.00
Carried Forward		$ 308.49

Brot Forward		$ 308.49
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary June	175.00
G. P. Coleman	" "	100.00
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	109.25
Librarian Petty Cash	Expenses in June	37.25
ditto	Papers &c	23.00
A. Roman & Co.	Books in June	89.71
A. L. Bancroft & Co.		84.05
Total		$ 948.75

On motion the Bills were ordered paid and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

The Treasurer presented the following Report which was read received and referred to the Finance Committee.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute.

Gentlemen:-

Herewith I present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for June 1873

Receipts

On a/c of Rents	597.50
" " " Collections	645.05
Total	1242.55

Disbursements

Amt. paid		
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for May	175.00
G. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	" " "	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	65.55
F. Siegni	Filling Cards Life Mems.	18.50
Morning Call	Advertising	12.00
Roman & Co.	Books	102.40
Chronicle	Advertising	12.00
Surgical Journal	Subscription	5.00
Evening Post	Advertising	6.75
John Hoeg	Repairing Sofas	26.00
Bancroft & Co.	Books	81.82
J. F. Pugz	Steel Stamps	16.00
Carried Forward		

Amount Brot Forward		
Bartling & Kimball	Receipt Books	27.50
Spaulding & Bate	Printing	9.00
Evening Bulletin	Advertising	23.75
do.	do.	3.00
S. F. Gas Light Co.	Gas for April	82.56
Water Co.	Water for May	18.00
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	71.75
H. Kelly & Co.	Books	14.00
Union Ins. Co.	Int. to June 9th	11.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	124.25
Amt. due Treasurer per Report for May		1071.56
	Total	2178.15

Balance due Treasurer this date $935.$\frac{58}{100}$

San Francisco
June 30th 1873 } (Signed) Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

The Committee on Books & Donations presented the Librarians Report for the month of June which was read, received, financial portion referred and the names of new members approved.

Librarian's Report.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute
Gentlemen:—

I owned respectfully report for the month of June as follows:

Received for	Initiation Fees		$35.00
"	"	Dues	736.50
"	" rent	C. F. Webster	150.00
"	" do	Jno. F. Snow	70.00
"	" do	H. Blyth Jr.	127.50
"	" do	F. Seregni (1 May to July 1)	40.00
"	" do	Heald's Business College	75.00
"	" do	C. E. Hinckley on a/c	65.00
"	" do	J. O. Donnell	70.00
			$1369.00

Balance on Hand June 1st		$141.70
Received collections		771.50
" rents		597.50
		$1510.70
Paid H. L. Davis Treasurer	$1242.55	
Petty Cash Bills	82.25	
Balance on hand July 1st	185.90	$1510.70

Mr. Hinckley has this day paid Twenty two $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars, and still owes, for the month of June, Thirty-seven $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars.

Thirty-five new members have joined the Institute, viz:—

Oscar Lewis	Pat. Kelly	C. F. Eastman
Thos. Giblin	J. A. Ivory	W. M. Evans
F. Eaton	Genevieve Wallbridge	W. Nimos
D. McIntyre	C. M. Wadleigh	A. Giusti
C. B. Drake	J. B. Campbell	M. Summeltenberg
W. Keenan	Mrs. R. Berger	F. Hamilton
C. C. Fuller	Mrs. R. Kline	A. Loressy
Mrs. C. W. Stratton	Wm. Baehn	S. B. Martin
F. M. Conner	Jas. Hillman	D. W. Marsales
C. Taysen	W. F. Curtis	Chas. Mitchell
A. Kniz	J. C. Alexander	Affon Fleming.
Mrs. C. Wright	F. D. Wheeler	

Ninety seven Volumes have been added to the library—by purchase, classified as follows; Fiction 44, Sciences & Art 26, Biography 6, History 3, Essays 12, Political Economy 1, Directory 1—Poetry 2, Dictionary 1, Travels 1—

Donations have been received

from Hon. C. Casserly
Compendium of the Ninth Census 1870

from Hon. C. Coll
Compendium of the Ninth Census, 1870
Kuk-Klux Conspiracy Vols 2 & 13
Department of Agriculture—Report 1871
Congressional Globe — 5 Vols
Ninth Census—Population
Arms in N. G. Custom House
Memorial Address Hon. Garrett Davis
Message & Documents, 1869-70 2 Vols
do 1871-72
do 1872-73

from Hon. A. A. Sargent
Repot of International Penitentiary Congress
at London.

The books withdrawn from the Library number 6387,
classified as follows, Friction 4671 – Histony 173 –
Periodicals 147 – Poetry 129 – Biography 165 – Travel 180 –
Science & Art 308 – Religion 71 – Genl Literature 328 –
French 118 – German 47.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
(Signed) C. C. Kimball
Librarian

San Francisco
July 1st 1873

A Communication was received from
H. C. Greenberg Acting Danish Consul
Moved to grant the request that no
pay would be required for books lost by the fire
Corresponding Secy to acknowledge

Communication received from W. A. Meeker Secy
Millmens' Protective Association
Communication received and request granted.
The matter of rent to be left to the action of
the Board.

Communication from Cal. Historical Society laid
over till future meeting.

Adjourned

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
July 15th 1873

Meeting called to order by the Vice President
J. C. Patrick.

Present at Roll Call – Messrs Elliott – Tredale –
Jones – Macdonald – Patrick – Spaulding – Wells &
Wheeler – Mr. Savage came into the meeting
after opening. –
Minutes of the Meeting of June 17th were read
and approved.

On motion the Resolution passed at the meeting
of June 17th reading as follows:–
Resolved. – That no member of the Board
of Trustees shall be interested in any contract
connected with repairs and improvements
connected with the Institute. –
was rescinded.

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Wells
& seconded by Mr. Bedale.

Resolved: that no member of the Board
of Trustees shall be interested in any
contract to which the Institute is a Party.

After some debate the Resolution was
laid on the table.

The Committee on Library Rooms & Building
reported the Building in Good Repair, and was
granted further time to report on the feasibility
of closing the Chess Room.

Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Aug 5th, 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call Messrs. Curtis, Cornwall, Hallidie, Bidale, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Wells and Wheeler — Messrs. Elliott, Davis, Savage and Spaulding entered during the meeting.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported the Building in good repair, and presented the following written report which was on motion received to be presented to the members of the Institute at the next Quarterly meeting.

Report,

Your committee, to whom was referred the matter of considering the propriety of closing the chess room, respectfully report, — That by a careful record kept during the month of July they find that the average attendance at the hour of 2.30 P.M. was 1⅖ — at 5.30 P.M. was 4⅙ — at 7.30 P.M was 9⅓ — For four evenings at 9 o'c was 6¼.

That the cost of gas and newspapers together, with a fair allowance for rent and repairs was not less than $60. showing a deficit over receipts from the largest average membership of about $55.00

Although your committee are convinced that the Chess Room does not pay, yet they are not prepared to say it should be closed, but would recommend that the question be left to the members at the next regular meeting.

(Signed) A. R. Wells
J. P. Curtis.

The Committee also presented a written Report concerning the placing of new gas lamps at the main entrance. which was, on motion received and ordered to be placed on file.

The Committee on Books & Donations presented the Librarians Report, which was read, received, ordered to be spread on the minutes and the financial portion referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.
Gentlemen:—

I beg leave to report for the month of July as follows:—

Amount received for Initiation Fees	$33.00
" of Dues collected	502.00
" received of J. F. Snow - rent	70.00
" " of C. F. Webster "	150.00
" " of C. E. Heinekey to 1st July	60.00
" " of H. Blyth Jr. 12/30 2/30 Gas	125.00
" " of Heald's Business College rent	75.00
" " of J. O'Donnell rent	70.00
" " of C. E. Heinekey on a/c	10.00
	$1095.00

Amount on hand July 1st	$265.15
Collections in July	535.00
Rents collected in July	560.00
	$1363.15
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1178.95
Petty Cash Bills, July	71.45
Cash on hand Aug 1st	112.80 $1363.15

Mr. Heinekey has paid Seventy Dollars, since the 1st Aug; so that he still owes Forty-five Dollars for rent, for the month of July.

Thirty-three new members have joined the Institute viz:—

W. H. Howard	A. M. Shaw	William Ward
Henry Smith	A. H. Manson	W. Beverley
Katie R. O'Leary	S. R. Kew	Adolph. C. Lott
Joseph S. Crook	R. P. Maynard	Geo. Riley
Clinton Ingraham	B. A. Hester	A. Pattiani
D. C. Easterbrook	Thos W. Scott	Horace Jones
W. Dunn	Merritt P. Judd	Jos. Bracina
Robt. Wallingshaw	Orlow Black	W. H. Quincy
J. A. Coolidge	C. V. Benedict	Mrs. M. F. Truett
C. Yerworth	F. Lyon	Hezekiah Smith
P. J. Fleming	A Lutgens	M. Babcock

The number of volumes added to the Library is Seventy Three, classified as follows: Essays and General Literature 12 – Encyclopedia 1 – Science & Art 16 – Atlas 1 – Dictionary 1 – Fiction 32 – History 3 – Law 3 – Poetry 4.

A Donation was received of Mr. William Simon "The Ruins of Paestum, otherwise called Posidonia, in Magna Graecia." 1 Vol folio London 1768.

There were withdrawn from the Library during the month of 6578 volumes, classified as follows: – Fiction 4809 – History 182 – Periodicals 158 – Poetry 132 – Biography 179 – Travel 194 – Science & Art 338 – Religion 82 – Genl Literature 341 – French 117 – German 46 –

All of which is respectfully submitted

(Signed) H. H. Humbert
Librarian

San Francisco
August 4th 1873

On motion the names of new members mentioned in the Librarian's Report were approved.

The Treasurer presented the following Report, which was read, received, ordered spread in the minutes and referred to committee on Ways & Means & Accounts:–

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute.

Herewith I present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the month of July 1873

Receipts

On a/c of Rents		$560.00
" " " Collections		618.90
	Total	1178.90

Disbursements

Amt. Paid			
Britton & Rey	Printing	$65.00	771
Roman & Co.	Books	89.71	772
Bancroft & Co.	"	84.05	773
H. H. Humbert	Salary for June	175.00	774
H. P. H. Coleman	ditto	100.00	
W. H. N. Smith	ditto	70.00	
Librarian	Petty Cash	82.25	775/783
J. H. Carmany & Co.	2 Copies Overland	7.00	
Conrad & Alter	Subscription	12.00	
Dewey & Co	Advertising	3.00	
Gaslight Co.	Gas for May	60.24	
Albert Levy	Books	25.00	
Commercial	Addtg	12.00	
Wm. H. H. Pitt	Copies of Bulletin	26.25	
D. Hewitt & Co.	Binding	109.25	
F. Hesse & Co.	Addtg	5.00	
H. W. Quinn	Hardware	5.15	
Water Co	Water for June	18.00	
Union Ins Co.	Int. to July 9th	41.64	
Sinking Fund	10% Receipts	117.49	
Amt. due Treas.	Report for June	935.50	
	Total	2043.95	

Balance due Treasurer this date this date $865.05

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treas.

San Francisco
July 31st 1873

A communication was received from P. Mezzara inviting the Board to visit the models of the groups of statuary for the State Capitol.

Ordered that the Cor. Sec. transmit to Mr. Mezzara the thanks of the Board.

A communication was read from Mr. S. L. Hallidie transmitting to the Institute the gift of Mr. William Simon of the Book mentioned in the Librarian Report.

Ordered that the Cor. Sec. transmit to Mr. Simon the thanks of the Board

The Committee on Ways Means & Accounts presented the following bills. Audited.

780	Librarians Petty Cash -	Ways Means to Aug 1st	$29.90
787	S. V. W. Works		18.00
788	J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing	6.90
789	W. E. Loomis	Periodicals	199.63
790	A. L. Bancroft & Co.	Books	75.06
791	G. C. Gilbert	Salary for July	175.00
792	C. P. Coleman	" " "	100.00
793	W. H. H. Smith	" " "	70.00
794	B. F. Sherrett	Presdts. Report	32.00
795	J. B. Kelly & Co.	Papers to 1st Aug	17.00
796	A. Roman & Co.	Books in July	56.99
797	H. Keller & Co	Wells. Attas	14.40
798	W. & D. Barkhaus	Quar. Sun Magazine	5.00
799	Lib. Petty Cash	Books Papers &c.	41.55
800	D. Hicks & Co.	Binding Aug 1	81.25

On motion the Bills were approved and it was ordered that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

A Communication was received from J. C. Bates Attorney for Mrs. Hawes relative to block 2. for use of Institute.

Communication received and referred to committee of three

On motion the Committee was appointed by the President as follows:-

Cornwall
Patrick
Macdonald

On motion Mr. Jones was added

A vote of thanks was made to the Mill new Association for the fine furniture that they had donated for the use of the Trustees

Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees
Room of the Institute
Aug 19th 1873

In the absence of the President ~~was called~~ Mr. Wells was called to the chair.

Present at Roll Call Messrs. Curtis - Elliott - Tisdale - Jones - Savage - Spaulding - Wells & Wheeler

The minutes of the meeting of July 1st were read and approved.

Committee on Ways Means & Apps. presented the Bill of the Gas Light Co. for June to July 1 which had been referred back for correction amounting to $60.70

On motion the Bill was ordered paid and that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the Amount.

Mr. Curtis appointed Committee to select books to be presented by Mr. Patrick, and put the same in the desks.

Mr. Tisdale appointed Committee to put slips in the desks for the members names.

Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the
Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute,
Sept 2nd, 1873.

Meting called to order by the Vice President.
Present at Roll Call:- Messrs Curtis, Elliot, Pratt, Jones, Patrick, Savage, Spaulding, Wells and Wheeler.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved.
While the minute were being read, the President retired and took the chair.

Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, presented the following report, which was received and approved.

Report

Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, report that they have let to the Managers of the Well-Mens Protective Association, subject to the approval of the Board, the use of the Committee Room, for the purpose of holding their meetings, at a monthly rent of $20- Lease to commence Aug. 1st 73. and to be four months to month. Meetings to be from one and two o'clock P.M. only.

San Francisco, Sept. 2nd, 873 (Signed) W. R. Wells
Charles Elliot
John P. Curtis.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, presented the following bills, which were approved and ordered paid.

No. 802	D. Roman & Co	books	$43.66
803	C. Bosqui & Co	binding	52.50
804	B. F. Stark	printing	2.50
805	H. H. Bancroft & Co.	books	95.83
806	O. Hicks & Co.	binding	37.25
807	Libn Petty Cash	sundry expenses	27.25
808	do	paper and books	12.65
809	Payot, Upham & Co.	books	11.18
810	Gray & Co.	Email & Sink for Press	10.00
811	San F. Gas Light Co	gas in July	57.24
812	J. W. Burnham & Co.	repairs & Carpt	6.10
813	Spr. Valley W. W.	water in July	18.00

814	D. S. Hopkins & Co	advg Election	$7.50
815	C. P. Coleman	salary for Aug.	100.00
816	W. H. H. Smith	" " "	70.00
817	G. E. Culbert	" " "	175.00
818	John C. Ransom	Selecting boxing and transporting books to Library	60 Cents

On motion, it was ordered that the bills be paid and that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

The Committee on Books & Donation presented the following report, which was read and received.

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

The Committee on Books and Donation beg to submit their report for the month ending Aug. 31st 1873.

Your Committee would call attention to the increasing importance of the Library, now so far advanced that it has made for itself a very high place in the public estimation. A gradual, but very marked change has come over the members during the last few years, with respect to their interest in this the first object of our care. While the membership increases, taking one year with another, but slowly, the proportion of those who frequent the Reading Rooms and draw books from the Library has become greater and greater, until not two are few upon the roll, who do not in some way avail themselves of the resources offered by our shelves. This is an extremely gratifying condition of things; but your committee cannot fail to remark that it brings with it an added obligation, and a heavier responsibility for them. The more we rich of our fullness widen, the more difficult it becomes to fill it; and, by the very law of its being, a library which has begun to grow, must continually call for larger appropriations.

The intellectual activity of the age is working with vastly energy in numberless directions, and our members naturally look to us to supply them with some account of the results of this incessant labor. To meet their expectations would require an outlay, four or five times greater than the Institute can afford; and this fact your committee would wish to have presented to the minds of all, as the chief obstacle in the way of the full development of our Library.

The same considerations apply, in their proper measure

to the magazines and periodical literature of our Reading Room. There is constant demand for new additions to our lists of them; and for the reason given, this demand can be but partially satisfied. A large part of the current science and literature of intrinsic value, is only to be had in serial publications; and to secure these, so far as possible, for our Library of Reference, is one of the objects, which must be kept in view.

The expenses last year of this committee, may be put down in round numbers at $4720 for new books, periodicals and binding - making a monthly outlay of nearly $400. This sum does not include the item $120.00 for printing and advertising, though the Committee had no a concern, the charge of that department. It is estimated that not less than $450 per month - (and more would be desirable - and could be profitably used) should be allowed the Committee for the monthly purchase of books; and if there should be a surplus accumulated from the savings of the other departments, such sum might be used by the Committee, under the direction of the Board, for the purchase of books from our agent in London, that are attainable in no other way; and it is hoped that the amount for this purpose will not be inconsiderable. Our income is a little over $1100.00 per month and it seems to us that one third of that amount even might be spared for the permanent increase of the paramount object of our institution. It seems so to us, and we ask the Committee of Ways and Means to consider our claims in this matter.

Nor should the matter of binding the books now in our possession be neglected, or ever looked. This department is of as much importance, as that of purchasing new books, and about one-third as expensive. The expenditure of money in this department could be increased much beyond that of last year, with good results. The wear and tear of a library like ours is immense. If it is true many books, after being worn out in the binding are not worth the cost of rebinding - such books we do not propose to rebind. Again there are many that are always good. It is such, that we rebind. Also many of the most valuable books are issued in serials, in paper covers, and require binding, before being put on the shelves for general use. Last year the cost of binding, approximated $100.00 per month. This sum and more will be required yearly, and will grow and should be increased.

The issuing of a Catalogue for the use of the members has occupied the attention of the committee in the past, and it is hoped some plan may be devised, whereby it can be done so as not to be a direct draw upon our current funds.

The committee would suggest to the Board, the plan of drawing up a paper for obtaining the names of such members as will subscribe for one or more copies of such catalogue. In this way, we think a catalogue can be made, which would answer the requirements of the Institute. It would not be necessary or desirable, perhaps, to stipulate that it should be printed on Scotch-faced type, (there being no such style on the Pacific Coast) nor that the paper should be of a particular tint, making it necessary to send to China or Egypt for it, at great expense. We want a comprehensive and useful catalogue, one that our members can use without an encyclopedia to explain its use.

In conclusion the committee report the growth of the Library steady and permanent and its usefulness evidenced by the large monthly increase of books taken from the Library.

The number of books taken from the Library, for the quarter is reported at Twenty seven thousand, two hundred and sixty four. (27264)

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(signed) George Spaulding.
R. Savage.

The following Report of the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts was read.

To the President and Trustees and Members of the Mechanics' Institute,

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Sec. 2nd. of the By-Laws, and the usage of this Society, your Committee on Ways, Means and accounts, submit the following statement of Receipts and Disbursements, for the Quarter ending Aug. 31st.

Receipts for Rent of Building,	June.	$549.50	
" " " " "	July	50.00	
" " " " "	August	600.50	$1735.00
Receipts - Quarterly Dues			
" " "	June,	$771.50	
" " "	July	535.00	
" " "	August	229.50	$1536.00
		Total	$3271

Disbursements.

Monthly Salaries.	$345.	$1035.00
Gas and Water,	about $77.89/3	232.18
Books - $725.01 - Binding $300.25. Papers 26.25		1051.51
Sundries $321.62 - Printing $47.00		321.95

Sundry Repairs $17.10; Advertising $8, Petty Cash re-stock $12.00) $37.10. $274.74

Balance $534.23

showing the receipts to be for the past quarter greater than the expenditures by $334.23 after making provision for fuel; the repairs being light, owing to the good order in which the Building is at present, there may be something required for both gas and water than we have had in the past year. (Signed) H. S. Brydale. H. P. Curtis.

The following Report of the Librarian was read and received, and the financial portion referred to Committee on Ways and Means, Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to lay before you the following report for the months of August

Received for Initiation fees	$35.00
" " dues collected.	194.50
" from J. F. Snow for rent	70.00
" " E. F. Valette " "	150.00
" " Gould & Bussing Ed.	65.00
" " A. E. Hinckley on Pet. rent	105.00
" " E. Blydale Jr. for "	127.50
" " Millmen's Association "	10.00
" " J. O'Donnell "	70.00
	$830.00

Cash on hand, August 1st		$84.25
Quarterly dues collected in August		229.50
Rents collected in August		600.00
		$1014.25
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer,	$736.95	
Petty cash in August	39.90	
Balance to 1st September	237.40	$1014.25

Mr. Hinckley has paid Seven Dollars, balance in full of rent for the months of July, but nothing as yet, for the month of August.

The names of thirty-five new members have been added, viz:-

James Austin	Chas. H. Smith	H. W. Taylor
Wm. Spalk	Jr. H. Lucas	H. Solomon
L. W. Barth	W. H. Bogardus	Dr. J. D. Wilson
W. C. Sill	Jr. R. Baum	Jr. Lumley

Mrs. C. B. Plummer	J. J. Le Conte	Mrs. H. B. Horton
Gilbert L. Dean	E. Halliday	Mrs. T. A. Hughes
Wife C. L. Harps	Wife J. H. Dow	H. Hoole
Lindrew-Brown	Ed. Dwyer	Chas. Anderson
Emma Wilson	Anna Barman	F. Geddes
L. Hendsley	C. H. Farley	Walter Shear
H. Cogan	Mr. Dolah	Mary Hart
L. L. Sprague (2d)	J. J. Fitzgerald	

There have been added to the Library by purchase 41 books, classified as follows; Communal 2, Canal Straits 4, History 4, Fiction 5, Biography 3, Science and Arts, Theology 1, Dictionary 1, Tracts 2, Poetry 1, Critical 1, Directories 3.

Donations have been received from Emanuel Blochman: Jewish and Christian Ethics, Vol. 8vo.

Washington Bartlett Esq;

Annual Report of the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco.

George Spaulding:

Salt Lake City Directory, 1873.

I would suggest the propriety of so enclosing the steps leading to the Lecture room, on the third floor, as to prevent the gathering of young men there, to attract the attention of the neighbors in the houses on Market Street. They have been a good deal of annoyance from this cause, within a few weeks.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) C. E. Knoblock
Librarian.

San Francisco.
Sept. 2d, 1873.

On motion the names of new members of the Institute were approved.

On motion the recommendation was referred to Committee on Library Rooms and Building, with power.

The matter of Mr. Hinckley's rent was referred to Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts - to take the necessary means for its collection.

Mr. Connell entered at this time.

The Bill of John C. Hascow for Stationery - paid by him for boxing and transportation of Patent Office Models was ordered to be paid by credit of the amount toward a Life Membership.

Mr. Connell asked for further time for Special Committee on the matter of Mrs. Howes' lot of land on Filbert and Ninth St.

Adjourned.

S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute.
Sept 16th, 1873.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call, Messrs Curtis, Connell, Elliott, Halliday, Tisdale, Jones, Patrick, Spaulding, Wells & Winder.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The following report of the Treasurer for the month of August was read, received and referred to Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts:—

To the President and Board of Directors
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for August 1873.

Receipts

Cur a/c Rent.	$600.50	
" " Collections.	136.95	
Total	$736.95	

Disbursements

Bancroft & Co.	Gen. Books.	$75.00	790
D. Roman & Co.	"	56.99	776
J. B. Colby & Co.	News papers	17.00	793
C. B. Corbett	Salary for July.	175.00	791
G. W. Coleman	do	100.00	792
W. H. H. Smith	do	70.00	795

Librarian.	Petty Cash.	$71.45	799
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing.	6.90	758
H. Keller & Co.	Oils.	10.00	797
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding.	81.25	800
B. F. Sharp	Printing.	32.00	794
Water Co.	Water for July.	8.00	757
W. E. Loomis.	Paper &c.	199.63	789
Union Ins. Co.	Ins. & Chg. g/s.	11.11	
Sinking Fund.	10% of Receipts	73.69	
Cur. due Treas.	as per report for July.	165.05	
	Total	1798.08	

Bal. due Treas. this date. $1161.13

San Francisco,
Aug. 31st 1873.

Respectfully submitted.
Harley T. Davis.
Treasurer.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts stated that Mr. Kimball had paid $100 on a/c and promised that the full dues should be paid up promptly in future.

Mr. Wells offered the following Resolution,—

Resolved— That Messrs Halliday, Davis and Patrick be constituted a committee to communicate with Andrew McCann in reference to sale to Partition — Having in view the terms upon which the lot corner of Market and Eighth St. owned by Mr. McCann can be leased for such purpose. And that said committee be requested to report to this Board, at its second regular meeting in October.

The resolution was passed and Mr. Wells added to the Committee.

Mr. Davis offered the following Resolution which was passed:—

Resolved That the note and mortgage held by the Mechanics' Institute to the Union Insurance Company payable on the 7th day of October 1866 on which there is now due the balance of $5000 in gold coin of the United States, be and the same is hereby, as to such balance, extended for one year from October 7th 1873. And that the President and Secretary be and they are hereby directed to execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver to said Union Insurance Company, a written extension of such note and mortgage for said period, with interest on said balance at the rate of ten per cent per year.

Mr Patrick was made a Committee to have the Spittoons removed from the Main Lamps, in front of the Building

On motion adjourned.

I. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Rooms of the Institute

October 7th 1873.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

Present at the Roll-Call:

Messrs Curtis, Davis, Elliot, Hallidie, Iredale, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding, Wills and Wheeler.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved. The Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported, as follows:

Committee on Library Rooms and Building report that they have obeyed instructions in causing upper rear platform to be indosed to the height of 7 feet. Also that, at their request, sidewalks have been laid in Post st. directly opposite the main entrance to the Institute, and at the expense of the City. (signed) A.R. Wells } Committee
Chas. Elliot } on
J.P. Curtis } Library Rooms and Building

On motion, the report was received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

The Committee on Ways Means and Accounts presented the following Bills:

No 819	Carrier Wta California	3 copies		$ 12.00
820	W.B.C. Pitt	5 copies Bulletin		22.50
821	Spring Valley Water Works	water for Sept		18.00
822	San F. Gas Light Co.	gas for August		58.55
823	Pagot Upham & Co	books		12.60
824	Bartling & Kimball	Binding		59.75
825	D. Hicks & Co	do		88.50
826	W.C. Hamilton	salary for Sept.		175.00
827	W.P. Coleman	do		100.00
828	W.H.H. Smith	do		70.00

No 829	J.Q. Barfield	whitening rooms	$ 15.00
830	Rum Bell & Co	carpeting &c	29.79
831	J.H. O'Brien	plumbing	11.40
832	Librarian Petty Cash	expenses	45.70
833	Do	papers & books	49.05
834	A. Roman & Co	books	51.37
835	A.L. Bancroft & Co	do	83.05

On motion the bills were ordered to be paid, and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts

The Librarian's Report was read, received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

The Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to report for the month of September as follows:

Received for Initiation Fees	$ 39.00
" for Dues Collected	620.00
" " rent from C.F. Webster	150.00
" " do " J.F. Snow	70.00
" " do " Heald's Business College	65.00
" " do " H. Blythe Jr	127.50
" " do " C.E. Hinckley	107.00
" " do " J. O'Connell	70.00
	$ 1248.50

Balance on hand Sept 1st		$ 277.30
Dues &c Collected		659.00
Rents "		589.50
		$ 1525.80
Paid H.L. Davis Treasurer	$ 1384.90	
Petty Cash Bills	94.75	
Balance Oct 1st	46.15	$ 1525.80

There is due, for rent of Mr Hinckley's store, to the 1st Oct. the amount of One hundred and thirty Dollars; Sixty Dollars having been paid on the 1st Sept.

The Mill-Men's Association, not having been previously called upon, paid the rent for September, today.

Thirty-nine new members have joined the Institute:

Jno. Iranetta	George Spray	Charles Steinman
M. Dunne	Jno. Heerdinck	A.J. Stangenberger
Jno H. Chapman	Thos. Stevens	D.J. Dibble
W. Prentice	James Daniels	Maud M. Rowe
Wilson L. Perry	E.L. Potter	Rudolph Molar
J.D. Newberry	Jno. P. Wheeler	J.A. McCrady

J. R. Schwarze	Miss M. Pressley	C. H. Amende
J. Mc Cockle	C. A. Weinert	C. Davis
Orlando Beaman	H. Smythe	Jno. J. Burke
Mrs W. R. Steele	Jas. McDonough	D. D. Sinton
E. P. Colson	Mrs R. B. Smith	Jas. M. Duncan
Clara Antonia	Ida Huff	Laura C. Marshall
Jno. H. Stantonborough	Jno. D. Barfield	Jno. Banks.

Two members, previously on the roll, have taken Life Membership: William P. Stout, and Jno. O. Hanscom.

The books added to the Library, by purchase, number One Hundred & twenty two, Classified as follows: Fiction 46, Science and Art 40, Travel 5, Biography 7, Government 2, Poetry 6, General Literature 8, History 5, Dictionaries 2, Misc'l.

Donations received were:

from H. J. Booth & Co
Circular and Pattern List of the Union Works.

from Hon. Jno. Eaton, Commissioner
Report of Commissioner of Education, 1872.

The number of volumes withdrawn from the Library is 6861, Classified as follows: Fiction 4980, History 197, Periodicals 171, Poetry 154, Biography 193, Travel 174, Science and Art 355 Religion 89, General Literature 375, French 124, German 49.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(signed) J. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco,
Oct 7th, 1873.

On motion, the names of new members were approved and the financial portion of the Report was referred to the Committee on Ways Means & Accounts.

The following Report of the Treasurer for the Quarter ending August 31st was read and received:

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my Quarterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Quarter ending Aug. 31, 1873.

Receipts.

For June	on account of	Rents	597.50
Do	Do	Collections	645.05
" July	Do	Rents	560.00
" Do	Do	Collections	618.90
" August	Do	Rents	600.50
" Do	Do	Collections	136.45
		Total	$ 3158.40

Disbursements

For June	1106.49
" July	1108.45
" August	1033.03
Due Treasurer as per last Report	1071.56
Total	$ 4319.53

Balance due Treasurer $ 1161.13

Respectfully submitted.
(signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

San Francisco,
August 31st, 1873.

The following Report of the Treasurer for the months of September 1040 read and received:

To the President and Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts and Expenditures for September, 1873:

Receipts.

On a/c of Rents	$ 589.50
On a/c of Collections	695.40
Total	1284.90

Disbursements.

Amount paid	Gas Company, Gas for June		60.70	801
"	" H. C. Hurlbut, salary for August		175.00	847
"	" W. P. Coleman, do do		100.00	845
"	" W. H. H. Smith, do do		70.00	846
"	" Librarian's Petty Cash		39.90	Sept 803
"	" Bancroft & Co	books	95.83	805
"	" Roman & Co	do	43.66	802
"	" Water Co.	water for August	18.00	813
"	" Payot Upham & Co	books	11.18	809
"	" E. Bosqui & Co	binding	52.50	803
"	" Gas Company	Gas for July	57.25	811
"	" D. Hicks & Co	binding	57.24	806
"	" Jno. O. Hanscom	Charges on books	53.50	808
"	" Dewey & Co	Rural Scientific Tours	10.00	810
"	" W. J. Moffitt	advertising	7.50	814
"	" J. W. Burnham & Co	Carpet	6.00	812
"	" B. F. Sterritt	printing	2.50	804
"	" Union Insurance Co.	interest to Sept 9	41.66	
		Forward	902.42	

Brought Over	$902.42
Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts	128.49
Due Treasurer as per report for August	1161.13
Total	$2192.04

Balance due Treasurer $907.14

Respectfully submitted.

Henry L. Davis, Treasurer.

San Francisco.
Sept 30th, 1873.

A Communication from Estee & McLaurin, Attys, in reference to the Case of Upton vs Price et Al, was read, received and referred to the President for Action.

The President stated that the note and mortgage due the Union Insurance Company had been renewed today.

The President stated further that Mr Friedo Küstel, Special Commissioner from the Mechanics' Institute to the World's Fair at Vienna had returned; and suggested that Mr Küstel be invited to lecture before the Institute.

Referred to the Committee on Lectures and Classes.

It was ordered that the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts should discuss the subject of Advertising Cards to be distributed by Mr Sidmore, and report at the next regular meeting.

On motion, it was ordered that the Special Committee on Site see Mr McCreary and make a proposition to him in reference to the leasing of his lot on Market and Eighth streets, subject to the Confirmation of the Board.

On motion, Adjourned.

S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Special Meeting of the Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Oct. 16th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call Messrs Curtis - Cornwall - Davis - Hallidie - Tredale - Macdonald - Savage - Spaulding and Wheeler

The President stated the object of the meeting to be the consideration of the policy of holding an Industrial Exhibition in 1874 under the auspices of the Institute and securing for that purpose the lot of land on Eighth St. bet. Market and Mission Sts. owned by Mr. Andrew McCreary and now offered to the Institute for five or six years at a nominal rental -

After a general discussion of the project by all the members present it was moved and seconded that Mr. McCreary's proposition be accepted - This motion was withdrawn no vote being taken on it -

The Treasurer presented the bill of the Union Insurance Co for the Premium on the Policy No. 36389 - amounting to $240. -

On motion the Bill was referred to the Auditing Committee

On motion the Treasurer was empowered to renew the Insurance ~~as~~ to his best judgment

The Committee on Ways Means and Apts. presented the bill referred to above reporting it as approved.

On motion it was ordered that the bill be paid and that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the amount.

Adjourned.
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy

—(Over)—

Organization of the Board of Managers of the Ninth Industrial Exhibition of the Mechanics Institute.

After the adjournment of the Special Meeting recorded on the preceding page the members of the Board of Trustees proceeded to organize themselves into a Board of Managers of the Ninth Industrial Exhibition of the Mechanics Institute – For the Record of their proceedings reference is made here to the Record Book of the Board of Managers –

S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Rooms of the Institute Oct. 21st 1873

Meeting called to order by the President

Present at Roll Call Hallidie – Davis – Wills – Elliott – Spaulding – Savage – Iredale – Curtis – & Macdonald

Reading of the Minutes dispensed with.

Various Committees reported progress –

The Special Committee on the Printing of Advertising Cards were authorized to expend $15 on the cards.

The Bill of S. W. Smith & Son on ofc of examining title – recording extension of loan &c amounting to $37.50/100 was presented by the Treasurer and referred to the Committee of Ways Means & Accts.

Adjourned

Secretary Pr-tem.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Rooms of the Institute Tuesday Nov. 4th 1873

Meeting called to order by the President –

Present at Roll Call – Messrs Curtis – Cornwall – Davis – Elliott – Hallidie – Iredale – Jones – ~~Spaulding~~ Wells & Wheeler – Spaulding & Savage

Minutes dispensed with –

Committee on Ways Means and Accounts presented the following bills Audited –

J. B. Golly & Co	$21.60
Payot Upham & Co	7.00
D. Hicks & Co.	11.00
Librarians Petty Cash – Books & Donations	28.35
" " " Ways Means & Accts	65.90
H. L. Bancroft & Co.	101.00
W. E. Loomis	198.11
Roman & Co	69.60
B. Quaritch	391.03
G. E. Hurlbut	175.00
C. P. Coleman	100.00
W. H. N. Smith	70.00
S. F. Gas Light Co.	76.32
S. F. Water Works	18.00

On motion it was ordered that the bills be paid and that orders for the amounts be drawn on the Treasurer.

The following Report of the Librarian for the month of October was read received and ordered spread on the minutes – the financial portion being referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts –

The Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics Institute.
Gentlemen: –

I beg leave to lay before you the following Report for the Month of October:

Over —

Received for Initiation fees	$42.00
" " Dues Collected	515.00
" " Rent from C. F. Webster	150.00
" " " " J. F. Snow	70.00
" " " " Harold's Business College	65.00
" " " " C. Neuman (Himebley)	150.00
" " " " Mill mens Association	10.00
" from H. Blyth Jr. for Rent	127.50
" " J. O'Donnell " do.	70.00
	$1199 50

Balance on hand, October 1st		$140.90
Dues Collected		557.00
Rents Collected		642.50
		$1340.40
Paid H. L. Davis - Treasurer	$1182.25	
" Petty Cash Bills October	94.25	
Cash on hand Nov. 1st	63.90	$1340.40

Mr. Neuman has paid $50.00 on a/c of rent for October, and promises to be regular in his payments hereafter. The Millmens Association has paid this day, for the month of October.

Forty-two new members have joined the Institute:

Miss. M. Wade	David Ash	Matthias Cuddy
Annie Day	A. M. Warshaw	R. Mc. Gregor
Mary E. Donnelly	W. S. Rhodes	T. D. Riordan
Miss. E. Mc. Lane	Mon. M. E. Perry	T. B. Harrington
Jas Merchant	J. Wetmore Dimme	W. M. Sanders
A. H. Somerville	Mon. Henry Fritz	D. Riordan
J. R. Taylor	Capt. W. P. Martin	Jas. E. Love
E. Sanders	J. T. Babcock	Jas. Carroll
T. Mc. Martin	Miss. E. E. Lapries	A. Mc. Bowyer
W. A. Meeker	D. Suter	W. E. Hamilton
Thos. E. Kell	W. E. Mitchell	A. H. Roberts
Mrs. A. F. Ingersoll	E. W. Hoare	L. R. Edwards
J. H. Love	A. H. Vaughan	Jas. Turpie
Jas. Franklin	J. A. Southwick	Miss J. O'Brien

There have been added by purchase to the Library One hundred and fifty two volumes, classified as follows:- Essays and Gneral Literature 13 - Dictionary 1 - Science and Art 29 - Fiction 78 - History 14 - Travel 3 - Encyclopedia 1 - Poetry and the Drama 8 - Periodicals 4 - Atlas 1 - Of these 13 are in German -

Mr. J. C. Woods has presented to the Institute a bound volume of the "Times and Transcript", from Dec. 1. 1852 to June 30th 1853, inclusive -

The volumes withdrawn from the Library number 6.855 - classified as follows:- Fiction 4.902 - History 204 - Periodicals 193 - Poetry 168 - Biography 211 - Travel 187 Science and Art 350 - Religion 71 - General Literature 380 French 132 - German 57.

I find it necessary to call the attention of the Board to the conduct of the persons who occupy the small basement-rooms, rented to Mr. Blyth. They are often extremely noisy and riotous in the passage and on the stairs, so that ladies refuse to approach the Library through the side door; and they frequently go away, after the rest of the building is closed, leaving the lights burning, and the side door open. On Sunday evening last, one of them passed through the reading room, and unlocked the door, at the head of the side-stairs, for his own convenience and that of others, who wished to go down into the basement — Mr. Blyth has been notified, several times, of the misconduct of these persons.

Respectfully submitted
(Signed) G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco
November 3d, 1873

On motion the names of new members were approved and the matter of the misconduct of the occupants of the small basement-room referred to the Committee on Library Rooms and Building to adjust.

The following Report of the Treasurer for the month of October was read received and referred to the Committee on Ways Means and Accounts

To the President and Board of Directors of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen.

I herewith submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the month of October 1873

Over

Receipts

On a/c of	Rents	622.50	
do	Collections	559.75	
	Total	1182.25	

Disbursements

Amt Paid				
G. L. Hurlburt	Salary for Sept	175.00	826
L. P. Coleman	do	100.00	827
W. H. N. Smith	do	70.00	828
Librarian	Petty Cash	94.75	832 833
A. Roman & Co	Books	51.37	834
A. L. Bancroft & Co	do	83.05	835
Plum Bell & Co	Carpet &c	29.75	830
J. H. O'Brien & Co	Plumbing	11.40	831
John Q Garfield	Whitening	15.00	829
Carrier of Alta	Subscription	12.00	819
W. B. Co. Pitt	Subscription & Bulletin	22.50	820
D. Harpers & Co	Binding	88.50	825
Gas Co.	Gas for August	58.55	822
Water Co.	Water for Sept.	18.00	821
F. W. + D. Barkhaus	Magazine	5.00	798
Payot, Upham & Co	Books	12.60	823
Bartling & Kimball	Binding	39.75	824
Union Ins. Co.	Premium	240.00	836
do.	Interest to Oct. 9th	41.66	
Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts		118.22	
Balance due Treasurer as per Report for Sept		907.14	
	Total	$2214.28	

Balance due Treasurer $1032.03/100

San Francisco Oct 31st 1873

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

A communication from J. H. Carey desiring the use of the Chess room to be granted him by the board over the refusal of the President read and request denied.

Communication from Mrs. S. B. Cooper in reference to educational statistics referred to the Librarian.

The matter of Sidewalk Lights was referred to the Committee on Library Rooms & Building with power to act.

The following Resolution was passed and the subject referred to the Committee on Lectures & Classes with the President

Resolved:- that a Course of Scientific Lectures be delivered in the Hall of the Institute during the coming winter.

Adjourned
S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular meeting of Trustees
Tuesday Nov 18th 1873

Meeting called to order by Vice President
Present at
Roll Call- Messrs Curtis- Elliott- Tisdale- McDonald Patrick Savage- Spaulding- Wheeler and Woodward
Minutes of Special Meeting Oct 16th and Regular Meetings Oct 7th Oct 21st and Nov 4th Read and approved.

Ways Means and Claims presented bill of J. P. Smith & Son for search and title $37.50 - Approved

On Motion bill ordered paid and order drawn on Treasurer for amount.

Committee on Lectures and Classes Reported that the Course of lectures would probably consist of seventeen lectures. Mr. Kustel would write a report which some member could read

Mr. Curtis entered
Adjourned

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute
Hall of the Institute
Saturday Sept. 6th 1873

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie

Present a Quorum

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The following Special Report of the Committee on Library, Rooms & Building in reference to the Chess Room, made to the Board of Trustees, was read.

☞ See Page 496 for the Report.

On motion of Mr Magagnos seconded by Mr. Roach it was unanimously ordered that the Chess Room remain open as heretofore

On motion it was voted that a Committee of Five be appointed by the Chair to solicit Life Memberships

The Chair appointed Messrs. Union - Van Winkle - L. M. Scott - J. H. Macdonald and D. R. Coleman

On motion Adjourned
Samuel H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute.
Dec. 2d 1873.

Meeting called to order by the President.
The Secretary being absent, Mr. Jones appointed Secy. pro tem.
Present at Roll Call, Messrs - Cornwall, Curtis, Davis, Elliott, Hallidie, Ingdale, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding, Savage, & Wells.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building made, no report.

Committee on Books and Donations presented their Report, which was read, received and ordered to be placed on file. (See Page 528.)

Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts presented their Report, which was read, received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

To The President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

In accordance with the By Laws and usage, your Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts submit the following statement of Receipts and Expenditures for the Quarter ending this date, all of which is Respectfully submitted Dec. 2d 1873.

A. S. Ingdale.
J. H. Macdonald,
J. P. Curtis.

Receipts from Rents		1804. 50.
Do. " Collections		1492. 50
Total Receipts,		$3297. 00
Disbursements for the Quarter Ending Nov. 30th		3825. 18
The expenditures are in excess of Receipts twenty-eight Dollars and eighteen cents.		828. 18.

The following Bills were presented by the Committee

No. 16.	N. Y. Underwriters' Agency,	premium	$150.00
17.	N. British & Mercantile Ins. Co.	do.	75.00
18.	Phoenix Insurance Co.	do.	75.00
19.	Spring Valley Water Wks.	water.	18.00
20.	San F. Gas Light Co.	gas. Oct.	94.56

21.	Locke & Montague repg. furnace,		6.00
22.	Women's Co-operative Printing U,	cards	8.00
23.	Payot. Upham & Co.	books	16.85
24.	Spaulding & Barto,	printing cards	15.00
25.	D. Hicks & Co.	binding,	79.75
26.	J. C. Hurlbut,	salary,	175.00
27.	J. P. Coleman,	do.	100.00
28	W. H. H. Smith,	do.	70.00
29.	J. K. O'Brien,	plumbing,	7.70
30.	Librarian's Petty Cash	books & paper,	22.90
31	Do.	sundry expenses,	62.25
32	A. Roman & Co.	books	64.90
33	A. L. Bancroft & Co.	do.	58.20

On Motion it was ordered that the Bills be paid, and that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the Amounts.

The Librarian's Report for the month of Nov. was read, received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes, and the financial portion referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

Allow me to lay before you the following Report for the month of November:

Amount received for Initiation fees,		$ 36.00
Do.	for Dues	226.50
Do.	from A. L. Bancroft & Co. } expenses on books from London }	16.00
Received from J. F. Snow for rent,		70.00
" " C. F. Webster for rent,		66.00
" " Mill Men's Association to Nov. 1,		10.00
" " H. Blyth, for rent,		127.50
" " C. Neumann, on 4th of rent,		80.00
" " J. O'Donnell, for rent,		20.00
		$ 849.00
Cash on hand Nov. 1	$ 158.15	
Received for Collections, etc	276.50	
" " for Rents	672.50	$ 1007.15

Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer,		$ 829.25
Petty Cash Bills,	$ 85.15	
Cash on hand Dec. 1st,	92.25	177.90
		$ 1007.15.

Mr. C. Neumann owes, for rent to the 1st Dec., One hundred and seventy Dollars.

Thirty-five new Members have joined the Institute:

Timothy Horgan,	Trevor Lloyd,	E. C. Beasley,
N. H. Foster,	T. H. J. Griffin,	Ignatius Lowe,
Cutler Paige,	R. Ghyppas	R. Murray,
H. A. St. John,	Thos. Weatherbee.	H. D. Green
J. D. Fay	C. H. Barrett	F. N. Spencer.
Mrs. E. P. Peckham	W. Gurden,	O. A. Tolle.
Mrs. C. H. Paxon	P. Elliott	W. J. Mathews.
Jas. McDonald	Pat. Hyland	Mrs. C. E. Haselkine
J. S. Viswander	F. Lawrence,	Mrs. H. Brooke.
A. J. Mudge,	E. N. Taylor	W. H. Darcy
Mrs. M. R. Lamott.	E. M. Murphy,	J. W. Mailbot.
D. Dorward	Jno. Nooner.	

There have been added to the Library by purchase, ninety-eight volumes, classified as follows: Fiction, 47, Travel 4, Drama & Plays 6, History 4, Science & Art 22, Wit & Humor 1, General Literature 6, Dictionary 1, Poetry 3, Biography 4.

Donations received are:

from Mrs. Anna M Elliott
5 vols. Harper's Magazine.

from J. C. Woods
San Francisco Daily Whig, Jany 4 - Mch 13, 1853 } One vol.
Do. Commercial Advertiser, Mch. 14 July 30, 1853 }
Commercial Advertiser, Aug. 8 - Dec. 31, 1853
Alta California, Oct. 1 - Dec. 31 - 1852 } One vol.
Do. Jany. 1 - March 31, 1853 }
Alta California, Apr. 1 - Aug. 31, 1853. One vol.
Do. Sept. 1 - Dec. 31, 1853, One vol.
Daily Placer Times & Transcript,
July 1 - Dec. 31, 1853. One vol.
San Francisco Daily Herald, Jany 1 - June 30, 1853, One vol.

from Geo. C. Hickox
Owen Jones's Grammar of Ornament
Edition of 1856: 112 Plates.

The works withdrawn from the Library number 6240, classified as follows: Fiction 4,883, History 212, Periodicals 189, Poetry 183, Biography 197, Travel 201, Science & Art 337, Religion 72, General Literature 378, French 129, German, 69.

All of which is respectfully submitted

G. C. Hurlbut

(Signed) Librarian.

San Francisco,
Dec. 1st, 1873.

On motion the names of new members were approved.

The Treasurer presented his reports for the months of November and for the Quarter ending Nov. 30th, which were read, received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for Nov., 1873.

Receipts.

On ac of Rents,		$ 572.50
" " Collections		256.75
	Total	$829.25

Disbursements.

Amt. paid		
Roman & Co.	for Books	69.00
G. C. Hurlbut,	Salary for Oct.	175.00
G. P. Coleman,	do.	100.00
W. H. H. Smith	do.	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash,	94.25
Bancroft & Co.	Books,	101.00
J. B. Folly & Co.	"	21.60
Gas-Light Co.	Gas for Sept.	76.32
H. C. Loomis	Periodicals, etc.	198.11
Water Co.	Water for Oct.	18.00

D. Hicks & Co.	Binding,	11.00
Union Ins. Co.	Int. for 5 Nov. 7	41.66
Sinking fund	10% of Receipts,	82.92
Due Treas. as per Report for Oct.		1032.03
	Total	2091.47.

Balance due Treasurer this date $1262.24.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Henry L. Davis

Treas.

San Francisco.
Nov. 29th, 1873

To the President & Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my Quarterly Report of the Receipts & Disbursements for the Quarter ending Nov. 30th, 1873.

Receipts.

For September	on ac	Rents,	$ 589.50
" do.	"	" Collections,	696.40
" October	"	" Rents,	622.50
" do.	"	" Collections,	569.75
" November	"	" Rents,	572.50
" do.	"	" Collections,	256.75
		Total,	$3296.40.

Disbursements.

For September,	$1030.91
" October,	1307.14
" November,	1059.46
due Treasurer as per last Quarterly Rep.	1161.13
Total,	$4558.64.

leaving balance due Treasurer $1262.24.

San Francisco, Nov. 29, 1873. } Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) Henry L. Davis

Moved, seconded, and passed that the Vice-President read the report of Mr. Küstel, Commissioner of the Institute to the World's Fair at Vienna, at the Quarterly Meeting of the Institute on Saturday evening next.

It was suggested that the matter of Mr. Neumann's rent should be referred to the Committee of Ways, Means, and Accounts, which should see him, and urge the prompt payment of the balance of his rent.

Communications with Donations from Mr. Geo. C. Hickox and Mr. J. C. Woods were read, and received, and the Corresponding Secretary instructed to acknowledge the receipt and transmit the thanks of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Savage, a Committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Savage Cornwall, and Woodward, was appointed to which was referred the matter of the property of Mr. Lick on Market Street, the Committee to report as soon as possible

On motion adjourned.

A.H. Jones Secty Pro Tem.

* The Committee on Books and Donations beg leave to report, that the number of volumes added to the Library, by purchase, during the quarter ending Nov. 29th, was 372.

The greater part of these were works of fiction, but your Committee feel that while the public taste in all parts of the country demands about the same proportion of this ephemeral reading, it is useless to regret the employment of our means in this direction. The additions to the really valuable part of the Library, though small, are constant, and your Committee never lose sight of the purpose to which all our efforts tend, — the building-up of an Institution for all time to come.

The monthly circulation of books shows the regular average, the figures for the quarter being 6861, 6855, and 6840; making a total of 20556 volumes.

Respectfully submitted George Spaulding
P.B. Cornwall
R. Savage.

Com. of Books & Donations

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute.
Hall of the Institute.
Saturday, Dec. 7th, 1873.

Meeting called to order by Vice-President Patrick.

Present, a Quorum.

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of Sept. 6th read and approved.

Mr. Van Winkle of the Special Committee on Life Membership presented a report showing that thirteen gentlemen had agreed to take life memberships and three to join as subscribers.

On motion, the report was received, and a vote of thanks tendered to Mr. Van Winkle for his exertions, and the committee continued.

The Quarterly Report of the President was read, received and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

San Francisco, Dec. 6th, 1873.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.

In conjunction with the State University, your Trustees have provided for a course of fourteen lectures, to be given by the Professors in the University during the winter, as heretofore on Saturday Evenings in this Hall; the price of tickets for the course has been placed at $2.00, which is expected to cover the expenses of the lectures. The course will commence Saturday, Jan. 3rd, and be as follows:

Jan. 3,	Pres. Gilman,	1,	Modes of promoting Scientific & Industrial Education in Large Towns.
" 10,	"	2,	The Use and Conduct of Modern Universities in Free & Prosperous States.
" 17,	Prof. Jos. Le Conte,	1,	Question of Interior Conduction of the Earth.
" 24,	"	2,	Outlines of a True Theory of the Formation of Mountain Chains.
" 31,	"	3,	Application of the Theory or Explanation of Structure & Position of Mountains & of Phenomena of Volcanoes and Earthquakes.
Feby 7,	Prof. Carr,	1,	

Feby 14, Prof. Carr, 2.
" 21, Jos. LeConte, 1, Wave Motion.
" 28, " " 2, Sound.
Mar. 7 " " 3, Light.
" 14, Pres. Gilman, On Deep Sea Soundings.
" 21, Prof. Kellogg, Roman History Illustrated by its Monuments.
" 28 " Swinton, 1,
Apr. 4 " " 2
" 11 " Soulé, Twilight.

I need not say that these lectures will be of interest, and that of the sciences in a popular way, as the names of the lecturers presented, give guaranty of that. The number of seats being limited, it will be necessary to make early application.

A Board of Managers of the Ninth Industrial Exhibition has been organized for the purpose of holding an Industrial Exhibition under the auspices of the Mechanics' Institute during the Fall of 1874.

It is understood as heretofore that the Board of Managers is an entirely distinct body from the Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute, although the same gentlemen comprise both Boards; and the management of the Fairs will be distinct from that of the Institute, thus holding the Mechanics' Institute harmless from any financial responsibility in the possible contingency of non-success.

A lease of five years with the privilege of the sixth year, has been executed between the Board of Managers and Andrew B. McCreery, Esq., for the two 100 vara lots fronting on the east side of Eighth Street, and running through from Market to Mission Streets, possession to be given Jan 1st, 1874;- the site is exceedingly eligible, and the property has an area of 151,200 superficial feet.

The terms of the lease are liberal;- the Board of Managers have to pay taxes and street assessments for five years, and, if the

sixth year is desired, a further sum of $7500.00

Yet while the lease is an exceedingly liberal one, it will nevertheless require the utmost energy of the Board, and cooperation of the members of the Institute, and of others concerned, with a strict regard to economy, in order to make the proposed Fairs a success, financially and otherwise.

It is expected that a Fair will be held in 1874 and 1875, but that as 1876 is the year in which the Centennial Celebration will take place, no Fair will be held in San Francisco.

The Centennial.

It is believed that California will be preparing herself for the great Centennial Exhibition to be held in Philadelphia in 1876, and that the Industrial Exhibitions to be given in this city under the auspices of your Society during 1874 and 5, will materially assist in developing the inclination and desire to exhibit at that great celebration of the Nation's 100th birthday anniversary, and reciprocally, the grand Centennial Exhibition will develop an interest in these public Expositions that will facilitate the success of the Fairs in this city.

Whether we can hold a Fair in 1877, or not, circumstances alone can determine, but before the expiration of the lease, it is thought that, at least four Fairs can be held, in which case, if the average success is met with, the result will probe beneficial to the Society and the public.

The Board of Managers have the privilege reserved to them in the lease of the property referred to,- to give up the same by six months notice, if it is thought desirable.- I believe it is the unanimous opinion of the Board, that with sufficient aid to cover the amount of taxes for the term of five years- (say $20000.- in the shape of a donation by those interested,- the street-railroad companies being more particularly referred to,-) this privileg

will not be taken advantage of; but if some substantial aid is not forthcoming, it will be a question of prudence whether to attempt the holding of a Fair at this locality.

Time is of the utmost importance; the Board of Managers have announced their intention to hold a Fair in the Fall of 1874; much has to be done; - all the preliminary work that pertains to exhibitions of this kind; plans for buildings have to be submitted, and our architects should bear in mind that fact, and, at leisure hours prepare for the competition. Circulars have to be distributed throughout the country, and the proper information given to all enquirers. — Everything however, depends upon the encouragement given to the enterprise by the citizens and corporation of San Francisco.

The Reading Room and Library still continue popular; our membership is increasing, as also the number of books on our shelves - so much so, that it will not be very long before more room and accomodation will be needed for both the Library and Reading Room. To this end we must work, and provide for the future. You need a much larger Library room; — it has been suggested to erect a light iron gallery around the walls, extending the shelving up in proportion; I do not think the room is adapted to such an arrangement, unless an effective mode of ventilation is adopted, — for at the elevation of fifteen feet, the air is always oppressive and disagreeable, especially so at evenings when lighted up and full of members; and at best, it could be but a temporary arrangement. Again - it has been suggested to use the present Reading Room for the Library, and place the Reading Room up-stairs in the rooms now occupied by the Third District Court; while this arrangement would be a most excellent one for the Library, it

would be inconvenient for the Reading Room; a reading room on the third floor is never popular, and moreover; - we would miss sadly, in the present state of our finances, the $150 per month paid for the use of these rooms.

This building, when constructed, was sufficient for the use of your Society, but in a short time you will need a larger and more convenient one, with the space and accomodation for a much larger library, a more commodious reading room, a more comfortable chess-room, a larger, better lighted, and more judiciously ventilated Lecture Hall, and provision for museum, class rooms, and other adjuncts necessary to an institution like this.

The transactions of the Society for the quarter ending Dec. 3rd, 1873, have been as follows:

Receipts from Rents,	$1784.50
" " Members,	1511.90
Total Receipts	$3296.40
Expenditures of all kinds,	3397.51
Disbursements in excess of receipts	$101.11

There have been added to the Library 372 volumes by purchase, and during the same time, there have been withdrawn and read by the members 20,556 volumes.

The number of members added to the list during the quarter is 116.

Mr. Guido Küstel who visited Vienna under a Commission from the Mechanics' Institute, returned some time since, and proposes to submit his report to you, tonight.

(Signed) A. S. Hallidie.
President.

Mr. Guion, of the Committee on Life Membership, tendered his resignation as a member of the Committee. On motion, Mr. Guion was excused from serving further on the Committee, and it was voted that the Chair should appoint his successor.

Mr. Jacob Browning was so appointed.

The Vice President then presented the Report of Mr. Guido Kiistel — Commissioner of the Mechanics' Institute to the World's Fair at Vienna, and commenced to read it. After reading a while he was interrupted, and a motion put and carried that the further reading of the Report be dispensed with, and that a thousand copies thereof be printed, together with the same number of the President's Quarterly Report, for distribution among the members of the Institute.

On motion adjourned.

Samuel H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees.

Rooms of the Institute.
Dec. 16th, 1873.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call Messrs. Cornwall, Davis, Elliott, Hallidie, Iredale, Jones, Savage, Wheeler, and Woodward. + Spaulding.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Standing Committees made no reports.

Mr. Woodward reported in reference to the Lick property, that he had received advice that the Committee would visit Mr. D. J. Staples the best man through whom to approach Mr. Lick.

Communication received and read from J. V. Holbrook - Lecturer.

Communication received and referred to Corresponding Secretary to answer, stating that our lectures are already arranged.

Communication from Senator Washington Bartlett, transmitting reports accompanying the Governor's Message.

Received, and Corresponding Secretary to acknowledge.

On motion, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Jones, Spaulding and Cornwall, was appointed to draft resolutions referring to the late decease of Professor Agassiz.

The matter of the printing of the Report of Mr. Guido Kiistel was referred to the Committee on Books and Donations.

On motion adjourned.

Samuel H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Rooms of the Institute.
Jany 6th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call, Messrs. Curtis, Elliott, Hallidie, Iredale, Jones, McDonald, Savage, Spaulding, Wells, and Wheeler.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved, after inserting the name of Mr. Spaulding as present.

Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts presented the following list of bills; audited by the Finance Committee;-

No. 34.	Carrier Alta	3 copies daily,		$12.00
35	Carrier Bulletin	5 " "		26.25
36	Spring Valley W. W.	Water for Dec.		18.00
37	San F. Gas Light Co.,	42,400 ft. in Nov.		101.76
38.	Plum, Bell & Co.,	Sheepskin mats,		8.50
39.	Payot, Upham & Co,	Books & Bookstands,		23.78
40.	D. Hicks & Co.,	binding		54.50
41	Middleton & Farnsworth,	Coal,		38.50
42.	L. Jaffe,	Coal		30.00
43.	H. C. Hyrlbut.	Salary, Dec.,		175.00
44.	G. P. Coleman,	do.		100.00
45.	W. H. H. Smith	do.		70.00
46.	Lib'n Petty Cash, Ways, Means & A.,	Sundry Expenses,		41.40
47.	Do.	Books & Papers,	" papers	10.20
48.	A. L. Bancroft & Co.,	books,		51.19
49.	A. Roman & Co.	books,		86.40
				$847.47

On motion it was ordered that the bills be paid, and that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

Mr. Woodward and Mr. Cornwall entered at this time.

Special Committee appointed to draft Resolutions on the death of Professor Agassiz, was granted further time.

Committee on Books and Donations reported, advising that 500 copies of the report of Mr. Guido Kustel be printed, at and expense of $36.00, - the report having been copied as a preparation for the printing.

Report accepted, and recommendation adopted.

Special Committee reported, by Mr. Cornwall, that Mr. Lick had in his will made a liberal bequest to the Institute, for the use of the library, and would probably donate his Conservatory to the Institute for the Exhibition.

The Committee on Books and Donations presented the following report of the Librarian:-

To the Board of Trustees
of the Mechanics' Institute.
Gentlemen:

I beg leave to report for the month of December, as follows:-

Amount received for Initiation fees,			$58.00
do.	do.	for dues,	658.00
do	do	from J. F. Snowfort, rent,	70.00
do	do	" C. F. Webster "	150.00
do	do	" Heald's Business College	66.00
do	do.	" E. Neumann on 2d rent.	140.00
do	do.	" K. Blyth, rent 122.50 2.50	126.00
do	do.	" J. O'Donnell, rent,	70.00
			$1236.00

Balance on hand, Dec. 1st,		$ 177.90
Amount of Collections,		616.00
Do. of rents paid,		620.00
		$1413.90
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1286.15	
Petty Cash Bills,	51.60	
Balance on hand, Jany 1st,	77.15	$1413.90

Mr. E. Neumann owes, for rent to the 1st January, One hundred and fifty-five Dollars.

Fifty-eight new Members have joined the Institute, viz:

T. G. Morris, Isaac Merritt, J. H. Terstegge
R. T. Condon, M. A. Patterson, F. Lehmann.

Homer Loomis, A.B. Davis, D. McPherson
A. F. Plate, Wm. Smyth, Fredk. Green
R. G. White, E.A. Davenport, C.J. Woolson.
J.W. Pollard, Mrs. E. Taft, Jno. Scott
Robt. Ballantine, K.F. Kive, T.F. Hastings
Eli Lee, V.D. Levy, Miss B. Gartenberg,
Miss Belle Nicoll, A.W. Marne, B. Goldman
G.H. Wright, Dr. C.T. Deane, J.G. Gove
David Woods, Mrs. J.C. Rogers, L.R. Taylor,
J.W. Gillin, J.R. Welch, T. Wilkins
A. Soderling, J.R. Southern, H.L. Barker
A.H. Starbird, J.W. Mayberry, Clifford Ellis
Franklin Ellis, J.H. Blumenberg, T. Engelhardt
C.J. Pillsbury, J.W. Millard, Mrs. H.C. Deming
A. Kelleher, Mrs. D.W. Swain, Mrs. J.T. Cramer
H.F. Perkins, E.P. Robbins, J.H. Pippy,
Mrs. L.A. Russell, E.A. Heatherton, J.A. Bartlett
Jas. Hutchison.

The number of books added to the Library is One hundred and eleven, classified as follows: Fiction 59, Travel 6, Biography 11, Theology 1, Poetry 5, Science and Art 15, History 4, Essays 4, Wit and Humor 6, Law 1, Games and Sports 1.

A donation has been received from William Grig, Fanning's Island, of a box of Shells, and a Keg of Crabs.

The number of volumes withdrawn from the Library for the month is 6711, classified as follows: Fiction 4796, History 231, Periodicals 149, Poetry 227, Travel 188, Biography 201, Science and Art 394, Religion 62, General Literature 369, French 131, German 64.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) H. C. Hurlbut.
Librarian.

San Francisco,
January 6th, 1874.

Report approved, and on motion the names of new members accepted.

Ordered that the matter of the rent of the Drug Store be referred to the President, with power to act.

Communication received from Mr. Grig of Fanning's Island, transmitting Shells and Crabs. Received and ordered that the Corresponding Secretary acknowledge.

The matter of whitening the Ladies' Entrance was left to Committee on Library, Rooms, and Building.

Ordered that the Committee on Library Rooms and Building investigate the matter of a table for the Ladies' Room, and purchase one if it is found necessary.

On motion adjourned.

Samuel H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary.

Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Ninth Industrial Exhibition.

Jan. 6th, 1874.

Called to order by the President.

No minutes read.

The following Resolution was passed:-

Resolved:- that the Secretary is hereby instructed to address a

letter to each of the Street Railroad Companies, inquiring of the said companies if they will donate a specific sum in aid of the proposed Industrial Faire to be held under the auspices of the Mechanics' Institute, and to request a definite answer thereto.

Adjourned.

Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Ninth Industrial Exhibition.

Jan. 20 - 1874.

Called to order by the President.

The Secretary stated that a letter had been sent to each of the Street Railroad Companies, and read the form of the letter from the copy in the Letter Book.

Ordered that when the meeting adjourn, it be to meet on Jan. 26th, at 1/2 past 7, P. M.

On motion, some resolutions submitted by Mr. , were laid over to be the special order for the next meeting.

On motion, the President appointed Messrs. Wells, Spaulding, and Patrick a Committee to prepare Rules and Regulations, and submit them at the next meeting.

Adjourned.

Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Ninth Industrial Exhibition.

Jan. 26th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present, Messrs. Curtis, Cornwall, Elliott, Halidie, Iredale, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Savage, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler, and Woodward.

The President stated the special order of the meeting to be the consideration of the following Resolutions:-

1. Resolved:- that a sum not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars be raised by loans without interest, for the purpose of building and fitting up the Industrial Faire Pavilion.
2. Resolved:- that each member of this Board pledge himself to use his own immediate efforts and the efforts of others willing to act, to obtain subscriptions to the above loan, by the signatures of the subscribers thereto, in a book provided for that purpose.
3. Resolved:- that the Board of Managers of the Ninth Industrial Exhibition, to be held under the auspices of the Mechanics' Institute, hereby pledge the net receipts from the Industrial Fairs, (after paying for labor and material,) to the payment, without interest, of the loans advanced, to provide for the construction and fitting up of the Exhibition Building, and the President of this Board is hereby authorized and empowered to sign this agreement for and on behalf of this Board.

Copy from 4th Resolution

After discussion, the first three resolutions were passed as read, and the fourth was laid on the table temporarily.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations presented their report. After considering the Rules separately, and in order, the Report was recommitted to the Committee without instructions to report on next Tuesday (Feb. 3) evening.

A committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Curtis, Wheeler, Savage, Elliott, and Jones, were appointed to report some plans of awards, to the Board.

The Secretary and Mr. Spaulding were made a Committee to prepare the Subscription Books.

Adjourned.

X

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute.
Jan. 20th, 1874

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present, Messrs. Curtis, Davis, Elliott, Hallidie, Macdonald, Patrick, Wells, Wheeler, and Woodward.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building reported that the stairway of the Ladies' Entrance had been whitened at an expense of fourteen dollars.

The report was approved.

The following Treasurer's Report for the month of December, 1873, was read, received, and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I herewith submit my report of Receipts and Disbursements for December, 1873.

Receipts.

On a/c Rents,		$3,990.00
" Collections,		895.15
	Total	$12885.15

Disbursements.

Amt. paid		
J. H. O'Brien & Co.	Plumbing	$ 7.70
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Nov.	175.00
G. P. Coleman	do.	100.00
W. H. H. Smith	do.	70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	85.15
B. Quaritch	Books	361.93
Roman & Co.	do.	64.90
Bancroft & Co.	do.	58.20
D. Hicks & Co.	Binding	79.75
Gas Light Co.	Gas for Oct.	94.56
Underwriters' Agency	Premium	150.
North British Ins. Co.	do.	75.
Phœnix Ins. Co.	do.	75.
Water Co.	Water for Nov.	18.
Locke & Montague,	Repairing Furnace	6.
Payot, Upham & Co.	Books	7.
do	do.	16.85
Women's Coop. Printing U.	Printing	8.
Spaulding & Barto	do.	15.
Union Ins. Co.	Cost of extending Mortgage,	37.50
do.	Int. to Dec. 8,	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	128.51
Due Treasurer	Report for Nov.	1262.24
	Total	$2937.95

Balance due Treasurer this date, $1652.80.

Respectfully submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer.

On motion it was ordered that the Librarian be instructed to place one copy additional of the Chronicle and of the Morning Call in the Reading Room

Adjourned.
S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.
Rooms of the Institute.
Feb. 3rd, 1874.

Meting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call, Messrs. Curtis, Elliot, Kallidie, Preadle, Jones, Patrick, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler, and Woodward.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
Mr. Davis entered during the reading of the minutes.

Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts, presented the following bills, approved by them;-

No. 50	S. F. Gas Light Co.	gas in Dec.	$109.92
51	Spring Valley W. Wks.	water in Jany.	18.00
52	J. H. O'Brien	plumbing	12.07

53	Middleton & Farnsworth,	Coal	40.00
54	Thos. Anderson,	do	40.00
55	N. P. Cole & Co.	Table	35.00
56	F. A. Jennings	whitening hall	14.00
57	G. C. Kurlbutt	salary for Jany.	175.00
58	G. P. Coleman	do	100.00
59	W. H. H. Smith	do	70.00
60	W. E. Loomis	paper, etc.	208.29
61	Payot, Upham & Co	books to Feby.	39.20
62	A. Roman & Co.	" "	58.82
63	Libn Petty Cash, Books &c.	books & papers	50.30
64	Do. Ways, Means &c.	sundries in Jany	46.60
65	A. L. Bancroft & Co.	books in Jany	30.88
			$1047.58

The bills were ordered to be paid, orders to be drawn on the Treasurer for the Amounts.

Committee on Library, Rooms, and Building reported that a table had been purchased and placed in the Ladies' Room.

The following report of the Treasurer for the month of January was read, received, and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts;-

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.
Gentlemen;-

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for January, 1874.

Receipts.

On a/c of	Rents,	752.50
" " "	Collections	804.10
	Total	1556.60

Disbursements.

Amt. paid -

D. Hicks & Co.	Binding.	54.50
Bancroft & Co	Books	51.19

Middleton & Co.	Coal	38.50
G. C. Kurlbut	Salary for Dec.	175.
G. P. Coleman	do.	100.
W. H. H. Smith	do.	70.
Librarian	Petty Cash	51.60
Plum, Bell & Co.	Mats	8.50
Carrier Daily Alta	Subscription	12.
L. Jaffe	Coal	30.
Water Co.	Water for Dec.	18.
Gas Light Co.	Gas for Nov.	101.75
A. Roman & Co.	Books	86.40
Carrier of Bulletin,	Subscription	26.25
Payot, Upham & Co.	Books	23.78
Union Ins. Co.	Int. to Jany. 9.	41.66
Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts		155.66
Balance due Treasurer per Report for Dec,		1552.80
	Total,	$2697.69

Balance due Treasurer this date, $1140.99.

San Francisco, January 31st, 1874.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

The following Report of the Librarian for the month of January was read, received, and the financial portion referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

Allow me to lay before you the following Report for the month of January:

Amount received for Initiation Fees	$54.00
" " for dues collected	893.50
" " from C. F. Webster, rent	150.00
" " " J. F. Snow, rent	70.00
" " " Heald's Business College, rent	65.00

Amount received from H. C. Clyde, rent $117.50	117.50
" " " E. Neumann, rent	280.00
" " " J. O'Donnell, rent	70.00
	1700.00
Balance on hand Jany 1st	$128.75
Received for dues Collected	947.50
" " rents	752.50
	$1828.75

Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer $1556.60
Petty Cash Bills, Jany 96.90
Cash on hand 175.25 $1828.75

Mr. Neumann has paid up all arrearages of rent to the 1st of February.

Fifty-four new members have joined the Institute, viz:-

Samuel Foster	C. S. Wright	W. R. Robbins
R. Meyers	E. H. Cole	Wm. Blake
J. R. Jones	G. Brodwolf	Wm. S. R. Avery
W. Potter	L. M. Shew	W. G. Ojaka
E. Duffey	Jas. McLean	J. F. Woodworth
R. W. Waterman	H. Ascroft	E. R. Howe
W. McCracken	E. Weymann	S. W. Holt
Harry Foley,	J. A. Baldwin	Jno. Bruce
M. Hainque	Jno. Patrick	Emil Coe
G. Vincent	Jno. Nash	Jno. A. Hicks
Mrs M. Kasten	Jacob Bearwald	Ruth Royce
E. E. Osborn	Henry Darcy	C. R. Wood
Miss Jennie Smith	Thos. Wallace	R. W. Hills
P. A. Garin	Jno. G. West	M. C. Hassett
A. J. Brooks	J. A. Webster	Mrs W. A. Frisbie
Chas. S. Smith	V. M. Bokee	M. Cushman
J. E. Gibson	W. Morton	Geo. S. Fife
W. G. Greene	Jno. Burton	J. Lynch

There have been added to the Library Eighty-five volumes, classified as follows: Fiction 35, Science and Art 2, History 4, Dictionary and Encyclopaedia 2, Law 1, General Literature 7, Biography 4, Theology 4, Poetry 1.

Donations have been received from Thos. M. Logan, M.D.

Second Biennial Report of the State Board of Health of California, for the years 1871, 1872, and 1873.

The volumes withdrawn from the Library numbered 6467, classified as follows:
Fiction 696, History 247, Periodicals 148, Poetry 169, Biography 211, Travels 187, Science and Art 288, Religion 72, General Literature 291, French 113, German 35.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) H. C. Hurlbut.
Librarian.

San Francisco,
February 3rd, 1874.

On motion the names of new members were approved.

A communication was received from J. W. Nystrom of Philadelphia, transmitting a pamphlet, and asking for an opinion from the Institute of his treatment of the subject of Precision in the Use of Dynamical Terms. Received and referred to the President.

The matter of forms &c, for the acknowledgment of Donations was referred to the Corresponding Secretary, with power.

The releasing of the Room now occupied by the 3rd District Court, was referred to the Committee on Library, Rooms and Building.

Adjourned.
Saml. H. Wheeler
Recording Secy.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute.
Feb. 17th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call Messrs—Curtis, Cornwall, Hallidie, MacDonald, Patrick, Savage, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler.

Committee on Library, Rooms, & Building, reported that Mr. Blyth had given notice that on the 1st of March, he would evacate Corinthian Hall.

Mr. Elliot entered.

Report of Committee received and the matter referred to them with full power.

In reference to the 3rd District Court Room, the Committee were granted further time.

President reported that he had received notice from Estee & McLaurin, that the case of Urton vs. Price et als. had been set for the 22th of March next.

On motion the matter was referred to the President.

On motion adjourned.
Samuel H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Special Meeting of Trustees
To Receive Report of Committee Feb. 24th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by President.

Roll Call. Present, Messrs.— Curtis, Cornwall, Elliot, Hallidie, Dredale, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler, Wordward.

Reading of minutes dispensed with.

Committee on Library, Rooms and Building, submitted a written report on the surrender of the lease of Corinthian Hall.

Messrs. Davis and Savage entered at this time. On motion the report was received and adopted as the sense of the Board and placed on file.

Adjourned.
Saml H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of Trustees
Mar. 3rd, 1874.

Called to order by the President.

Roll Call.— Present, On Messrs. Curtis, Hallidie, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler.

Minutes of three meetings read and approved.

Committee on Library, Rooms, and Building, reported Building in order,

and fully tenanted.

Committee on Books and Donations presented a written Quarterly Report, which was, on motion received, and ordered to be placed on file.

The Committee on Books and Donations report for the Quarter ending Feby 28th:

There have been added to the Library by purchase 294 volumes, and by donation, 3 volumes. The want of funds still makes itself felt, in presence of the growing demands of the public; but your Committee make every effort to keep up with the current literature.

The number of books taken from the Library for the quarter is 1972.

The Committee feel called upon to draw the attention of the Committee on Library Rooms and Building, to the state of the carpet around the librarian's desk, as well as around the sides of the room near the shelves. Constant use has worn holes in the carpet, so that the redwood boards are plainly visible in many places. A strip of carpet for an edging would add greatly to the appearance of the room, and, we think, would not be expensive. Something should be done at once around the librarian's desk, if nowhere else. They merely hint at this matter in a manner to draw the attention of the above Committee to it.

Respectfully submitted,

George Spaulding
Committee on Books and Donations

Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts, presented the following Bills; approved.

No 66	Spring Valley Water Wks.	water for Feby.		$18.
67	S. F. Gaslight Co.,	gas for Jany.		115.92
68	Dewey & Co.,	Volume 27 of Scientific Press		10.
69	B. F. Sterett	Printing Rural Kistel's Report,		36.
70	Middleton & Farnsworth	coal.		40.
71	D. Hicks & Co.,	binding.		90.80
72	J. P. Coleman	salary for Feby.		100.
73	W. H. N. Smith	" " "		70.
74	G. C. Hurlbut	" " "		175.
75	Libn Petty Cash, Books & Donations,	books & papers,		83.30
76	Libn Petty Cash, Ways, Means & Accounts,	sundry expenses,		40.
77	A. Roman & Co.	books in Feby,		45.84
78	Payot, Upham & Co.,	" " "		39.71
79	A. L. Bancroft & Co.	" " "		63.50
				$927.07

On motion the bills were ordered to be paid; orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

Messrs. Cornwall and Elliot entered.

Committee on Books and Donations presented the following Report of Librarian, which was read, received, ordered to be placed on the minutes, and the financial part referred -

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I have the honor to submit the following Report for the month of February:

Amount of Initiation fees rec'd,		$ 45.00
" of dues Collected		2 412.00
" Rec'd for Life Memberships		200.00
" " for rent from C. F. Webster,		150.00
" " " do. " J. F. Snow,		70.00
" " " do " Heald's B. College,		66.00
" " " do " Millmen's Protection Association (to Jany)		20.00

Amount rec'd for rent from C. Neumann,		125.00
" " " do " H. Blyth, Jr.	127.50 10.00	117.50
" " " do " J. O'Donnell,		70.00
		$1104.50

Balance from January		272.15
Received for dues & Initiation fees		287.00
" " Life Memberships (special)		200.00
" " rents Collected,		617.50
		$1376.65
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer,	$1044.40	
" " (Special fund)	200.00	
Balance on hand: Petty Cash Bills,	123.30	
Cash on hand,	8.95	$1376.65

There have been added to the Institute Forty-five new Members:

Miss M. E. Coyle	Geo. R. Sherman	Thos. R. Brady
A. J. Allen	F. M. Downey	F. H. Corr
Chas. Barras,	J. H. Parmelee	C. H. Merithew
Chas. Kaufman	Miss J. J. Benjamin	C. Barefield
D. Regan	Mrs. W. E. Bridges	J. T. Bridges
W. A. Jones	J. D. McClellan,	J. K. Carter
Mrs. D. Van Pelt	Robt. Martin	Jas. F. Wade
D. A. D'Ancona	K. Silberberg	Conrad Bruns
Henry Kung	C. A. Murdock	L. T. Fisher
A. T. Crosby	David Bell (no. 2)	W. R. Gleason
D. Simpson	John Hug	G. A. Litchfield
T. F. McCarthy	Mrs Nancy Ryder	Chas. Cotterell
Miss S. M. Wilson	A. G. Folansbee	J. Johnson Jr.
Chas. P. Swasey	E. A. Melcher	Chas. Smith
R. J. Morison	Mary Wileman	T. J. Warren

Four members have taken out Life Memberships: Jacob Browning, Jeremiah Browning, Abner Doble, Thomas Nelson.

There have been 98 books added to the Library, classified as follows; Fiction 68, Essays 4, Science Art 17, Travels 1, History 10, Dictionaries 3.

A donation was received from Horace Davis, of Fairbairn on Mills & Mill Work, 2 vols.

6552 volumes were withdrawn from the

Library, classified as follows: Fiction 4701, History 312, Periodicals 183, Poetry 122, Biography 194, Travels 183, Science and Art 312, Religion 81, General Literature 321, French 102, German 41.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. C. Hurlbut
Librarian.

San Francisco
March 2d, 1874

On motion the names of the new members were approved.

The Treasurer's Reports were read, rec'd. ordered to be placed on the minutes, and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts.

Monthly Report.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for February, 1874.

Receipts.

On a/c of	Rents	
" " "	Collections	292.50
		751.90
	Total,	$1044.40

Disbursements.

Amt. paid —		
Roman & Co.	Books	$68.32
N. P. Cole	Table	35.
Middleton & Co.	Coal	40.
Bancroft & Co.	Books	30.88
G. C. Hurlbut	Salary for Jany.	175.
G. P. Coleman	do.	100.
W. H. H. Smith	do.	70.
Librarian	Petty Cash	96.90
Thos. Anderson	Coal	40.
Payot, Upham & Co.	Books	39.20

J. K. O'Brien	Plumbing	12.07
Gas Co.	Gas for Dec.	109.92
F. A. Jennings	Whitening	14.
Water Co.	Water for Jany,	18.
Union Ins. Co.	Int. to Feb. 9	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	104.44
Balance due Treas. as per report for Jan.		1140.99
	Total	$2126.38

Balance due Treasurer this date $1081.98

Respectfully submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas.

San Francisco,
Feb. 28-1874.

Quarterly Report.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

Herewith I present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Quarter ending February 28th, 1874.

Receipts.

For December, 1873, on a/c of	Rents	$390.
" " " " "	Collections	895.15
" January, 1874 " "	Rents	752.50
" " " " "	Collections	804.10
" February " " "	Rents	292.50
" " " " "	Collections	751.90
		$3886.15

Disbursements.

For December, 1873,		$1675.71
" January, 1874,		1044.79
" February, "		985.39
Bal. due Treasurer as per last Quarterly Report		1262.24
	Total	$4968.13

Balance due Treasurer this date, $1081.98

San Francisco
February 28th, 1874

Respy submitted
Henry L. Davis,
Treasurer.

The Secretary was instructed to call the attention of the Chairman of the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts to his Report on Treasurer's Report

On motion the thanks of the Institute were tendered to Mr. Horace Davis for his donation of Fairbairn's Mills and Mill-Work.

Mr. Woodward entered.

Communication received from J. P. Hirshfeld, resigning Membership in the Institute. Filed.

Communication from K. Blyth, asking remuneration for Improvements in Corinthian Hall.
Received. Referred to Committee on Library Rooms and Building, to report at the next meeting.

Committee reported Communication back, with no recommendation.

Communication laid on the Table.

Secretary ordered to notify the Gas Light Company that hereafter the Hall is under control of the Institute.

Moved and seconded that the Librarian have certificates of Life Membership filled up, and presented for payment.

Adjourned.
L. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Institute.
Room of the Third District Court.
Institute Building
Saturday, March 7th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present, a Quorum.

The Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of Dec. 7th, 1873, were read and approved.

The President read his Quarterly Report, as follows;

San Francisco,
March 7th, 1874.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:-

I have the honor to present my report for the quarter ending March 1st, 1874.

For the above period of three months, the receipts and disbursements have been as follows:-

Receipts.

Quarterly dues	$1829.25
Initiation Fees,	157.00
Life Membership	200.00
Rents,	1760.00
	$3946.25

Disbursements.

Books (including $361.93 to Zudrick)	$798.65	Repairs	$ 39.77
Printing	23.00	Furniture	43.50
Advertising	.00	Salaries	1036.00
Interest	124.98	(Petty cash newspapers, etc.)	271.90
Gas	306.23	Binding	134.25
Water	54.00	Sinking Fund	388.61
Insurance	300.00	Extending Mortgage	37.50
Fuel	148.50		$3705.89

The balances are as follows:-

Due Treasurer overdrafts	$1081.98
Cash on hand in Sinking Fund,	1200.00
" " " Special Fund,	200.00
" " " Librarian's hand,	8.96
	$1408.96

The sum of $800.00 in the special Life Membership Fund was loaned to the general fund by order of the Board of Trustees.

The Lecture Hall heretofore held under lease by Henry Blyth, Jr., has been given up by that gentleman, and is now under the control of the Society.

One hundred & fifty seven Members have joined the Society during the last Quarter; and Two hundred & ninety four volumes have been added to the Library, classified as follows:- Fiction 157, Science and Art 59, History 18, Dictionaries 5, Law 2, Essays 16, Biography 15, Theology 6, Poetry 6, Travels 6, Wit and Humour 6.

During the same period 19,720 volumes were withdrawn from the Library, and read by the members.

A Course of fifteen lectures is now in progress by the Professors of the University of California; they are held in the Lecture Room of the Society every Saturday evening.

Your Society is in great need of funds wherewith to buy Technical works of reference; and the Trustees have been very much restricted in their purchases in consequence.

It is the intention to hold an Industrial Exhibition this fall, and the Board of Managers having control, has advertised for plans for a suitable

building, to be erected on the two 100 vara lots on 8th Street, between Mission and Market Streets. I need not say that the success of the Fair will depend largely upon the aid and cooperation of the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.

(Signed) A. S. Hallidie.
President.

On motion the Report was received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

The following Report of the Committee on Life Membership, was read, received, and ordered to be placed on the minutes; and the thanks of the Institute tendered to the Committee.

San Francisco,
Mar. 7- 1874.

To the Chairman of the Committee on Life Membership of the Mechanics' Institute:

Sir,

I beg leave to report to you the following list of gentlemen that have subscribed their names for Life Membership in the Mechanics' Institute.

1	N. W. Spaulding	No. 17, Fremont St.
2	Jas. Cobbledick,	Cor. Cal. & Davis Sts.
3	C. Waterhouse,	124, Market St.
4	C. A. Schultz	Cor. Cal. & Front Sts.
5	C. C. Burr,	Cor. Pine & Front St.
6	Jacob Underhill,	118, Battery St.
7	H. L. Hutchinson	537, Market St.
8	Jonathan Kittredge	18, Fremont St.
9	W. J. Garratt,	Brass & Bell Foundry.
10	C. P. Sheffield,	19, Fremont St.
11	A. P. Hotaling,	Cor. Jackson & Jones St.

The above gentlemen will all pay for

their certificates as soon as they are made out, except Hutchinson and Burr, who will pay within sixty days.

Eight of the above names are entirely new members; three were old members (or monthly subscribers.

Yours Respectfully
(Signed) J. Browning
Committee on Life Membership.

Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen; The following Gentlemen have subscribed for Life Membership.

Jas. Patterson with N. Spaulding & Co.	$50.00
W. K. Vanderslice Silversmith,	50.00
John C. Bell, Carpet & Furniture Dealer	50.00
	$150.00

The following gentlemen have subscribed for monthly members;—

Chas. Bonntag Post Office
Four members by D. S. Van Winkle
Eleven " " Jacob Browning.

Respectfully submitted
D. S. Van Winkle.

Messrs. Van Winkle and Browning tendered their resignations as members of the Committee.

On motion their resignation was accepted, and the President authorized to appoint some gentlemen in his plaa.

The President appointed Mr. Jos. R. Wilcox, and called upon the meeting to name the other gentleman.

Mr. Jonathan Kittredge was chosen by the meeting.

Adjourned.
D. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Rooms of the Institute.
March 17th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by Vice President Patrick.

Present at Roll Call:- Messrs. Cornwall, Curtis, Davis, Dredale, Macdonald, Patrick, Savage, Spaulding, and Wells.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building, presented the following Report, which was received and adopted.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building report, that they have caused painting and whitening to be done in Corinthian Hall — ante-rooms, closets and passage-ways;— that all carpets and matting in the hall, ante-rooms, and passage-ways were taken up and cleaned; all floors and woodwork washed;— that nearly all of the work was done under contract, and by the lowest bidder;— that the aggregate cost is about $123.00.

The Committee recommended that a new carpet be furnished for the main Library Room, and that the carpet now in use be sold.

Recommendation received and laide over.

The Committee also presented the

following Report on the re-leasing of the Third District Court Room.

Report received and referred to the Chairman of the Committee and the President with full power to take all they can get.

Your Committee on Library Rooms and Building, respectfully report that in the matter of the Lease of the Third District Court Rom, which expires with the present month:-
They have conferred with the Committee on Public Buildings of the Board of Supervisors, with a view to renewal of the lease, and said Committee on Public Buildings offer for a renewal, the sum of $200.00 per month, and though earnestly requested by your Committee to continue the Lease at $250.00 per month as heretofore, they positively refused the request.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) A. R. Wells } Committee
Chas. Elliot }

Mr. Woodward and Mr. Elliot came in during the meeting.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building were instructed to ascertain the costs of a new carpet, and the best disposition that can be made of the old one.

Communications were received from the Maryland Institute and the Cincinnati Public Library, acknowledging the receipt of the Report of Rudolph Rüssel on the Vienna Exposition.

Also from E.W. Buswell, Treasurer, and

Corresponding Secretary, the Transactions of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for the year 1873.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to acknowledge its receipt.

Adjourned.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Rooms of the Institute.
April 7th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call, Messrs- Cornwall, Curtis, Elliot, Hallidie, Iredale, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding, Wells, and Wheeler.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved, after amending by insertion of a record of reading and approving the minutes of the two preceding meetings.

Committee on Library Rooms and Building, reported that the carpet in the main Library and Ladies' Room has been estimated by W. H. Cummings to be worth from forty to sixty cents per yard at auction. Committee presented estimates for new carpet from Plum, Ball, and Co., and John C. Bell.
Report received and placed on file.

Mr. Woodward entered at this time.

The Committee presented the following written report on the lease of the 3rd District Court Room.

The Committee, in the matter of the Third District Court Room, report, that the lease having expired, they have re-let the same to the city from month to month, to be continued as a Court Room, and at a monthly rent of $200.00, or an increase of $50.00 per month, rent payable monthly in advance, and commencing with the present month.

Report read, received, and action of Committee approved.

Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts presented the following list of bills, approved for payment

№ 80	Carrier Bulletin	subscription		$22.50
81	" Alta	"		12.00
82	Spring Valley W. W.	water for Mech.		18.00
83	Union Insurance Co.,	premium,		150.00
84	Middleton & Farnsworth,	coal,		33.60
85	S. F. Gas Light Co.,	gas Feby & Mch.,		184.66
86	J. E. Mitchell & Co.,	cleaning carpets,		36.60
87	J. & J. Willis,	printing & whitening Hall		70.00
88	H. C. Hurlbut	salary for Mch.,		175.00
89	G. P. Coleman,	do.		100.00
90	W. H. H. Smith	do		70.00
91	A. Roman & Co.,	books in Mch.,		58.22
92	Libbie's Petty Cash Wks. Mchs. & Sundries	sundries,		80.10
93	do. Books & Stationery	books & papers,		55.30
94	Payot, Upham & Co.,	books for Mch.,		66.27
95	D. Nicke & Co,	binding for Mch.		160.75
96	A. L. Bancroft & Co.,	books for Mch,		67.56.

On motion the Bills were ordered to be paid, orders to be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

The following Report of the Treasurer for the month of March was read, received, and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen,

Herewith I submit my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for March, 1874.

Receipts.

On a/c of Rents	$607.50
On a/c of Collections	663.30
Total	$1270.80

Disbursements.

Amt paid,		
Dewey & Co's Scientific & Rural Press,		$10.
Middleton & Co.	coal,	40.
D. Nicke & Co,	binding,	90.80
A. Roman & Co.,	books	45.84
Bancroft & Co.	do.	63.50
H. C. Hurlbut	salary for Feby	175.
G. P. Coleman	do.	100.
W. H. H. Smith,	do.	70.
Librarian	petty cash,	123.30
B. F. Sterett	printing,	36.
Payot Upham & Co	books	39.71
Water Co.	water for Feb.	18.
Gas. Co.,	gas for Jan.	115.92
F. E. Loomis	papers, magazines, &c.	208.29
Union Ins. Co.,	int. to Mch. 9th	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of receipts,	127.08
Due Treas. as per report for Feb.		1081.98
Total		$2386.08

Balance due Treasurer this date, $1115.28

San Francisco, March 31st, 1874.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Henry L. Davis

Treasurer.

The Committee on Books and Donations presented the following Report of the Librarian for the month of March, which was read, received, and ordered to be placed on

the minutes, financial portion being referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following Report for the month of March.

Amount received for Initiation fees		$58.00
" " for Life Membership (Special)		$50.00
" " for dues collected		646.50
" " from C. F. Webster, rent		150.00
" " " J. F. Snow, rent		70.00
" " " Heald's Business College, rent		65.00
" " " Lodges, rent of Hall		167.50
" " " C. Neumann, on 2d		85.00
" " " J. O'Donnell, rent		70.00
		$1362.00

Cash on hand March 1st,		$132.25
Received for Initiation Fees & Dues,		704.50
" " Life Membership (Special)		50.00
" " Rents		607.50
		1494.25

Paid R. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1320.80	
Petty Cash Bills	135.40	
Cash on hand,	38.05	$1494.25

Mr. Neumann paid the Forty Dollars, balance of rent for March, on the 2d of April.

Fifty-eight new members have joined the Institute, viz:-

G. H. Everett	Mary Davis	W. T. Bordwell
W. D. Maguire	W. C. Morrison	Jas. Barrows
H. A. Horber	J. Bernard	Mrs B. Wilkinson
Sophie Reeber	Miss F. Henderson	L. Lichtenstein
Miss A. E. Kennedy	W. M. Jackson	A. E. Castle
D. O'Driscoll	Jas. Williams	F. Hiller, Jr.
A. W. Manning	E. M. Brady	Mary F. McDonald
L. J. Hardy	Mrs P. Hawks	Thos. Williamson
A. J. Le Breton	H. L. Bradley	Lizzie Bragg

R. C. Lord	Mary A. Cashman	Mrs R. M. Wilson
E. J. Bates	John Hayes	L. H. Short
Ella Kilbourne	Geo. H. Burgess	John Howson
Gabriella Newval	Joseph Throp	Mrs E. Morris
F. H. Fletcher	G. Bertolacci	A. D. D'Ancona
J. L. Henderson	D. J. Crowley	Thos. H. Kerr
John Blake	W. B. Abell	Robt. Martin
D. H. Tingman	Carl Kild	Wm. Haynes
G. W. Lewis	J. L. Smith	Miss E. A. Cleveland
E. Stahl	Dr. C. C. Burgess	R. North
Fanny Sherman		

Mr. B. Flint has taken a Life Membership.

The volumes added by purchase number One hundred and nine, classified as follows: Fiction 42, Science and Art 29, General Literature 16, History 5, Poetry and the Drama 6, Dictionary 1, Biography 6, Travel 5.

The following donations were made to the Library:

By the Chief of Ordnance, U. S. A.
Annual Report to the Secretary of War, for the year ended Jun. 30, 1873.
By A. S. Hallidie, President.
Yo-Semite Views, 2 vols. elephant folio.
By David Wilder, Brig. Military Library.
United States Infantry Tactics 1861, 1 vol.
Casey's " 1863, 3 vols.
Upton's " 1867, 1 vol.
Customs of Service for Non-Commissioned Officers & Soldiers, 1 vol.
By Hon. C. Clayton
Congressional Directory 43d Congress, 1st Session

There were 6922 volumes withdrawn from the Library, as follows:- Fiction 4809, History 378, Periodicals 214, Poetry 147, Biography 210, Travel 216, Science and Art 342, Religion 183, General Literature 85, French 167, German 46.

Respectfully submitted
G. C. Hurlbut,
Librarian.

San Francisco,
April 6th, 1874.

On motion, the names of new members were approved.

On motion, the thanks of the Board were unanimously tendered to the President, for his beautiful donation of Yo-Semite Views, and to D. Hicks and Co., for the binding thereof.

The Treasurer was authorized to renew the insurance on Building and Furniture.

Adjourned.

Edmd H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Rooms of the Institute
April 21st, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll-Call: Messrs. Curtis, Cornwall, Davis, Hallidie, Bredale, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Savage, Spaulding, Wells, Wheeler and Woodward.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the matter of the purchase of a new Carpet for the main Library be referred to the Committee on Library Rooms and Building with full power.

A vote of thanks was tendered to N.P. Cole & Co for the new table for the reference room, donated by them. The Corresponding Secretary to transmit the vote.

Adjourned.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Rooms of the Institute.
May 6th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call. Messrs. Cornwall, Curtis, Davis, Elliot, Hallidie, Bredale, Joyes, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding, Wheeler, and Woodward.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Committee of Ways, Means, and Accounts, presented the following bills, approved for payment.

No 97	Spring Valley Water Wks,	water for April	$18.00
98	A. Keller & Co.	Tools, Spons Dictionary	35.00
99	W. V. N. Smith	salary for April	70.00
100	G. C. Hurlbut	do.	175.00
101	G. P. Coleman	do.	100.00
102	J. B. Goby & Co	books & magazines	27.00
103	A. Roman & Co	books	25.75
104	Payot Upham & Co	books	83.20
105	Libn Petty Cash, Books & Donations,	books & papers	25.65
106	A. L. Bancroft & Co	books	54.00
107	W. E. Lomis	{papers, magazines etc. from Jany to Apl}	224.79
108	J. K. O'Brien	plumbing	6.65
109	F. A. Jennings,	whitening,	45.00
110	Frost & Richards	glass & setting	14.00
111	G. C. Hurlbut	Lecture Acct (deficit)	11.50
112	E. A. Parker	diagram for Lecture	25.00

On motion it was ordered that the bills be paid, and that orders be drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts.

The following Report of the Treasurer for the month of April, was read, received, and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;-

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for April, 1874.

Receipts.

On a/c of Rents,		496.25
do Collections		362.90
		816.15

Disbursements.

Amt. paid		
J. E. Mitchell	cleaning carpet	$35.50
Carrier of Bulletin	subscription	22.50
do Alta	do.	12.
Water Co.	water for Mch.	18.
Middleton & Co.	coal	33.
R. & J. Willis	painting etc.,	70.
Gas Co.	gas for 1st Feb & Mch	184.56
Roman & Co.	books	58.22
Payot, Upham & Co.	do.	66.27
Bancroft & Co.	do	57.66
D. Hicks & Co.	binding	160.75
G. C. Kurlbut	salary for Mch	175.
G. P. Coleman	do.	100.
W. H. R. Smith	do.	70.
Librarian	petty cash	135.40
Union Ins. Co.	int. to Apr. 9	41.66
Sinking Fund	10% of Receipts	85.91
Balance due Treasurer for Mch		1115.28
	Total	$2441.61

Balance due Treasurer this date $1582.46

San Francisco, April 30 - 1874.

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis,
Treasurer.

The following Report of the Librarian for the month of April was read & received. The financial portion was referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to report for the month of April, as follows;

Amount received for Initiation fees		$48.00
" " dues Collected		258.00
" " from Heald's College for rent,		65.00
" " " J. F. Snow "		70.00
" " " E. Neumann to 1st Apr.		40.00
" " " rent of Hall to Lodges:		
Crockett Lodge $35.00; N. G. Badger $32.50		
Golden Gate Lodge $40.00; Cal. Chap. R. A. $30.00		
" " Chapter $35.00 = $172.50		
Less Janitor $20.00 & organ $5.00	25.00	1417.50
" received from Millmen's Association to Apr. 1st		39.00
" " for 1 night's rent of Hall,		15.00
" " 3 days use of Hall, State Grange,		45.00
" " use of Hall, by State Medical Society		13.75
" " J. O'Donnell, for rent		70.00
		$802.26

Balance on hand 1st April		$173.45
Received for collections		306.00
" for Rents		496.25
		$975.70
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$859.15	
Petty Cash Bills for April,	111.40	
Cash on hand, May 1st	5.15	$975.70

Mr. Neumann has paid, since the 1st May, One hundred and fifteen Dollars on a/c of rent for April.

The bill against the City for rent of the Third District Court-Room has not yet been paid.

Forty-eight new members have joined the Institute, viz:

R. Burling	W. G. Rountree	J. J. Peatfield
M. Kuechler	V. Dupont	J. V. Dougine
Miss K. MacFadden	H. Cright	Jas. McNab
" Dora B. Harris	H. D. Squires	Mrs. W. L. L. Pierce
J. R. Carnahan	Geo. Smith	Webster Eastman
Henry Suter	James Edgar	Miss Louisa McDonnell

D. A. Kneass	T. F. Barry	J. J. O'Malley
E. C. Fields	Mrs Josie Driscoll	Wm Schulz
Geo. H. Mullen	Mrs E. F. Gorham	A. C. Austin
Jno C. Howe	Miss K. M. Fuller	Mrs M. Kerran
A. W. Bradbury	G. A. Fisher	H. C. Ludemann
Mrs L. B. Rogers	John A. Scot	H. Gauthier
W. D. Sutton	Floyd R. Scot	S. Mugford
W. B. Prichard	F. Wehee	R. Van Hoster
P. Rutherford	S. Kellogg	H. A. Jones (2d)
Christopher Lamb	Otis L. Heavey	Sam Cohen

One hundred and two volumes have been added to the Library by purchase as follows: Fiction 55, Science & Art 21, Essays 9, History 9, Law 3, Biography 4, Travel 1.

The donations to the Library were:
from Joseph Griffin, Brunswick Maine
The History of the Press of Maine, 1 vol, 8vo.
from Hon Chas. Clayton,
Mineral Resources West of the Rocky Mts, 1873
1 vol., 8vo.
from H. L. Barker,
Baron von Müffling's "Passages from My Life."
1 vol., 8vo.
from Geo. E. Herrick
The Capture of Ticonderoga. Annual Address
before the Vermont Historical Society.
from the Navy Department,
Reports of Explorations and Surveys for a
Ship Canal by the Isthmus of Darien
1 vol. 4to.

All of which is respectfully submitted
P. C. Hurlbut,
Librarian.

San Francisco,
May 5th, 1874.

On motion the names of new members were approved.

Mr. Wells entered at this time.

The Committee on Lectures and Classes presented a Report of the Finances of the

lectures held during the winter, showing a deficit of $11.50; also the bill of E. A. Parker for $25.00 for work in diagrams, illustrating Professor Le Conte's Lectures.

The Report was read and received.
On motion it was ordered that the deficiency be made up, and that orders be drawn for the payment thereof, and the bill of E. A. Parker.

Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts reported back the Reports of the Treasurer and Librarian, including those for the month of March.

Communication read from Librarian requesting that the Hall of the Institute be let to the State Grange. Request granted.

Bills reported by Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts, previously passed, reconsidered.

Ordered that all bills be paid except Librarian's Petty Cash, Ways, Means & Adv^t. this bill to be referred back to Committee for correction

Adjourned.
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Sec.

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute.
May 12th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present, Messrs. Curtis, Cornwall, Elliot, Kallidie, Dredale, Macdonald, Patrick, Savage, Spaulding, Wells, & Wheeler.

Ordered that a Poll-List of members be prepared by the Librarian under the direction of the Committee on Library Rooms and Building.

Voted that the choice of Judges and Clerks of Election be made a special order for the next meeting.

Adjourned.
S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Sec'y

Special Meeting of the Institute.

Third District Court Room
Institute Building
May 13th, 1874.

Special Meeting called to order by the President, who stated the object of the meeting to be the election of a Committee to nominate candidates for Trustees to be elected at the approaching election.

Voted that the Committee consist of seven.

Nominations being in order, the following named gentlemen were nominated,—

H. S. Smith	Jos. R. Wilcox
D. R. Coleman	Lowell J. Hardy
Abner Doble	D. C. Hayes.
Jacob Browning	W. P. Stout
W. J. Stoddart	W. C. Pease
W. T. Garratt	P. S. Van Winkle
Jos. Moore	A. N. Stoll.
Robt. Marden	John D'Arcy

Messrs. Hardy, Stout, Van Winkle, Marden, and D'Arcy declined.

The President named W. P. Stout and Robert Marden as tellers.

After five ballotings, the following named gentlemen were declared to be chosen as the Nominating Committee

H. S. Smith — D. R. Coleman
Abner Doble — Jacob Browning
W. C. Pease — D. C. Hayes
W. J. Stoddart.

Voted that vacancies occurring in the Committee be filled by the Committee.

Voted that the Committee report on the Monday evening preceding the day of election.

Adjourned.
S. H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
May 19th 1874

Meeting called to order by Mr. Cornwall.
Mr. Spaulding chosen Secy. Pro Tem.
Present at Roll Call Messrs Austin, Cornwall, Elliott, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding & Wells

Minutes of meetings held May 5 and May 12 read and approved.

No Reports.

The appointment of Clerk and Judges of Election was deferred until next Tuesday evening.

On motion voted that when the meeting adjourns it adjourn till Tuesday evening May 26th

Adjourned
Ew. Spaulding
Secy Pro Tem
by S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy

Special Meeting of the Institute
Third District Court Room
Institute Building
Monday May 25th 1874

Meeting called to order by Vice President

Henry H. Reid was chosen Secy Pro Tem

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was read, received and adopted. and the Committee discharged—

Adjourned
Henry H. Reid
Secy Pro Tem
by S. H. Wheeler
Rec. Secy.

Report of Nominating Committee

To the President, Board of Directors, and members of the Mechanics Institute.

Gentlemen:—

The undersigned, having been elected, at a meeting of the members of the Mechanics Institute, held on the 13th day of May 1874 as a committee, to nominate seven trustees to be voted for at the annual election, to be held on Monday June 1st 1874, respectfully submit the names of the following gentlemen as such candidates,

A. S. Hallidie — Henry L. Davis
A. R. Wetz — George Spaulding
R. B. Woodward — James Speirs
W. P. Stout

Respectfully Submitted
H. S. Smith
Daniel E. Hayes
D. R. Coleman
Jacob Bruning
Stone Doble
W. J. Shotdart

Signed

Adjourned Meeting of the
Board of Trustees
Rooms of The Institute
May 26th 1874

Mr Wells called to the Chair

Present at Roll Call Messrs Elliot, Tredale, Jones, Savage, Spaulding - Wells and Wheeler—
Mr. Davis entered during the meeting.—

Communication read and read from the President excusing his absence on acc of sickness.—

Messrs John Roach
Cornelius Holmes and
W. D. Bruenhagen
were nominated as Judges of Election

On motion it was ordered that the Secretary cast the ballot

Messrs John Roach - Cornelius Holmes and W. D. Bruenhagen were elected Judges

H. J. Holmes and
C. H. Evans
were nominated for Clerks of Election

On motion it was ordered that the Secretary cast the ballot

H. J. Holmes and C. H. Evans were elected Clerks.—

Irving M. Scott
William McK'Ibbin and
Henry C. Macy
were chosen an Installing Committee

On motion adjourned
Samuel H. Wheeler
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees.

Rooms of the Institute,
Tuesday, June 2nd 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Present at Roll Call, Messrs. Davis, Elliot, Kallidie, Jones, Macdonald and Spaulding.

Minutes of meeting held May 19th, and adjourned meeting held May 26th, read and approved.

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building presented the following Report, which was read, received, ordered to be spread on the minutes, and the recommendations therein referred to the incoming Board of Trustees:-

The Committee on Library Rooms and Building report that for the ~~Quarter~~ Year ending May 31st, 1874, there has been expended for repairs of Building, $186.37; for repairs of Furniture, cleaning, and relaying carpets &c., $110.29; for Furniture, carpets and fixtures in Corinthian Hall, purchased from Mr. Blythe, $626.28; new table for Ladies Room, $35.00; new carpet for main Library and Ladies' Room $625.13;- making a total disbursement for the year of $1582.07. All of the rentable portion of the Building is now occupied by good tenants, and is aggregating a monthly rental of $707.50, being a considerable increase over any former year.

The building is now in good repair except main entrance, hallways and stairs. The Committee recommend that new matting be put down in the lower halls, and new coverings on the treads of the stairs leading from the first to the second story. The walls should be whitened, and the woodwork regrained, if the Board think it advisable. — The committee desire to call the attention of the Board to the growing need of more library room. But a little more than one year ago, extensive additions to our shelf-room were made. It is now nearly occupied, and it is evident that in the near future, extensive and costly alterations will be required to insure our

accommodations for a few years to come. The steadily increasing growth of the Society warns us that our rooms will soon be inadequate for our need. The Committee are therefore of the opinion that some measures should be considered with a view to securing a suitable location for a permanent and commodious building.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Asa R. Wells, Charles Elliot } Committee on Library Rooms & Building

The Committee on Books and Donations presented the following Report which was read, received, and ordered to be placed on the minutes.

To the President and Board of Trustees of Mechanics' Institute:

Your Committee submit the Report for the Quarter ending May 31st 1874.—

There have been added to the Library the last three months, 322 volumes, and 206 volumes have been taken out in the same time.

As this report closes also the fiscal year, it may be well to recapitulate the doings of the Committee for the year past, and give some items that may prove of interest in this connection.

There have been added to the library the past year, 1312 volumes at a cost of $2523. Many of these books are valuable works of science and art, and now have a place in the Reference Room. This number may appear small when we take into consideration the income of the institution. The amount expended by this committee is about one seventh of the income from all sources.- Your committee deplore the necessity of economy in the purchase of books; for the calls for new works are becoming greater as our members increase.— There has been expended for magazines and papers during the past year the sum of $1366.00. Included in this list are many publications which have been, or are to be bound, and may now be classed as a permanent increase to the number of volumes added during the year.- Your Committee regard this feature of the Institute as one of its most prominent. Probably in no other similar institution can so large and varied a collection of papers and periodicals be found.

There has been expended the past year for

binding, the sum of $845.00. The books in the Library are in good condition as regards binding; especially is this the case with those in the Reference Room. Great care and expense have been taken to have our most valuable books well and substantially bound. Something might be expended to advantage in the general department in this respect; - but your Committee are continually reminded of the paucity of our funds, and the ominous looks of our worthy Treasurer when presenting his monthly reports. - There have been taken from the library, the past year, 82,321 books. - A few days ago, your Committee was called upon by Mr. Babbliere, an Australian publisher, of whom the Institute purchased some valuable works three years since. Mr. B. offered, for the trifling sum of Sixty pounds, (about the cost of the binding,) a complete set of the "Melbourne Herald," from the year 1849 to 1872, the most important period in the history of Australia, marked, as it is, by the discovery and development of her gold mines and the coincident progress of other industries. Your Committee, seizing upon so rare an opportunity, did not hesitate to order the set of the Herald, at the price named; the later volumes from 1872, to be added at a cost of 28 shillings each.

Respectfully submitted,
George Spaulding
(Signed) Committee

The following Report of the Librarian for the month of May was read, recived, ordered to be spread on the minutes, and the financial portion referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and Accounts.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen;

I beg leave to submit the following Report for the month of May:

Amount received for Initiation fees,	$ 37.00
" " for Life Membership	550.00
" " " dues collected	632.60
" " " rent, Business College	60.00
" " " do. J. F. Snow	70.00
" " from E. Neumann, rent to May 1st,	125.00
" " " Golden Gate Chapter, Eastern Star, rent $35.00, less pay of Janitor $20.00	15.00
" " " Golden Gate Lodge, rent,	40.00
" " " City, rent Court Room, 2 mos to June	400.00

Amount received from Crockett Lodge, rent	$ 35.00
" " " N.G. Badge, rent, 32.50 less organ hire 5.00	27.50
" " " Ark and Dove, rent for May,	10.00
" " " California Chapter, No. 4	30.00
" " " Millmen's Protective Association 2 months to June 1st	20.00
" " " State Grange, 1 day's rent of Hall	15.00
" " " J. O'Donnell, rent	70.00
" " for rent of hall for party	15.00
	$2142.00
Cash on hand May 1st	$116.55
Amount received for fees & dues	669.50
Carried forward	$786.05
Amount received for Life Membership	550.00
" " " Rents	922.50
	$2258.55

Paid H.L. Davis, Treasurer,	$1958.15	
Petty Cash Bills for April	85.75	
Do. " May	100.25	
Cash on hand June 1st	114.40	$2258.55

Mr. Neumann has not paid anything on acct of rent for the month of May.

The names of the thirty-seven new members who have joined the Institute are:

Donald Davidson	J. K. Patterson	J. S. Carter
Wm. B. Arrington	John Dorsey	Wm. Vale
John Klotz	W. H. H. Hunt	Alex. Shedden
H. J. Boullet	Leo Eloesser	Geo. C. Herrick
G. W. Crawford	H. H. Sloan	C. A. Mahoney
James Smith	H. J. Huttner	J. B. Owens
Robt. Jackson	Jno. Corlett	Robt. R. Yates
Warren E. Burcke	Marie H. Bertin	Chas. L. Foute
J. D. Daniel	Wm. L. Higginbotham	L. E. Blochman
E. M. Railton	Mrs. A. P. Heady	B. F. Wiggin
W. A. Burke	John Barbee	C. L. Hamlin
A. Schmolz	E. A. Turner	H. J. Shillcock
Mrs. Robt. Handwerk		

Of the eleven Life Members added, five were new members, viz:- Messrs. Cobbledick, Baker, Robinson, Upham & Hendy. The others, Messrs. A. R. Wells, W. T. Garratt, H. C. Kibbe, Jas. Patterson, and N. W. Spaulding, were already on the roll. - One hundred & thirteen volumes have been added to the library by purchase, viz:- Travel 9, History 4, Cyclopaedia 2, Dictionary 1, Science 26, Essays 15, Poetry 1, Fiction 46, Biography 9.

The donations received were:
From Geo. W. Childs, Philadelphia:
Public Ledger Almanacs for 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873.
From Hon. Chas. Clayton:
Report of the U.S. Light House Board, 1872.
Smithsonian Report 1872
Message & Documents, Post Master Genl 1873-74
Report of Chief of Bureau of Statistics 1873.
U.S. Fish Commission. Sea Fisheries South) 1871-72
Coast New England)
War Department - Parts 1 & 3 1873-74
Navy Department 1873-74
From Board of Marine Underwriters
Ship-Building on Pacific Coast. (No. 2.

Respectfully submitted,
H. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco,
Jun. 2d, 1874.

On motion the names of new members were approved.

Mr. Cornwall entered at this time.

The Treasurer presented the following Monthly, Quarterly, and Annual Reports, the Annual Report of the Sinking Fund and of the Special Life Membership Fund - all of which were read, received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes, and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means and Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the month of May, 1874.

Receipts.

On ¢ct of Rents	$922.50
" " " Collections	485.65
Total	$1408.15

Disbursements.

Amt paid,

May 6	Roman & Co.	Books	$25.78
" "	Payot, Upham & Co.	do.	83.20
" "	W. E. Loomis	Newspapers etc.	224.79
" 7	H. C. Hurlbut	Salary for April	175.
" "	G. P. Coleman	do.	100.
" "	W. H. H. Smith	do.	70.

May 7	Librarian	Petty Cash	$25.65
" "	Bancroft & Co.	Books	54.
" "	J. H. O'Brien	Plumbing	5.65
" 9	Union Ins. Co.	Premium	150.
" "	F. A. Jennings	Whitening	45.
" "	Water Co.	Water for April	18.
" "	J. B. Folly & Co.	Books	27.
" "	E. A. Parker	Diagrams etc.	25.
" 19	Henry Keller & Co	Books	35.
" 22	Frost & Richards	Glass setting	14.
" 26	H. C. Hurlbut	Deficit on Lectures	11.50
" 30	Union Ins. Co.	Int. to May 9	41.66
" "	Sinking Fund 10% of Receipts		140.81
" "	due Treasurer as per report for April		1582.46
			$2854.50

Balance due Treasurer this date $1446.35

Respectfully submitted
San Francisco, May 30, 1874 (Signed) H. L. Davis
Treasurer

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my Quarterly Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Quarter ending May 30th, 1874.

Receipts.

For March, on ¢ct of	Rents	$607.50
" " " "	Collections	663.30
" April " "	Rents	496.25
" " " "	Collections	362.90
" May " "	Rents	922.50
" " " "	Collections	486.65
		$3538.10

Disbursements.

For March,	$1304.10
" April	1326.33
" May,	1272.04
due Treasurer as per last Quarterly Report	1081.98
	$4984.45

Balance due Treasurer this date $1446.35.

Resp'y submitted
San Francisco, May 30th, 1874. (Signed) Henry L. Davis
Treasurer

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen,

I herewith present my Annual Report of the Receipts and Disbursements ending May 30th, 1874.

Receipts.

For June, 1873	on a/c	Rents	$597.50
" " "	"	Collections	624.05
" July "	"	Rents	560.
" " "	"	Collections	618.90
" August "	"	Rents	600.50
" " "	"	Collections	136.45
" September "	"	Rents	589.60
" " "	"	Collections	695.40
" October "	"	Rents	622.50
" " "	"	Collections	559.75
" November "	"	Rents	572.50
" " "	"	Collections	256.75
" December "	"	Rents	390.
" " "	"	Collections	895.15
" January, 1874 "	"	Rents	752.50
" " "	"	Collections	804.10
" February "	"	Rents	292.50
" " "	"	Collections	751.90
" March "	"	Rents	607.50
" " "	"	Collections	663.30
" April "	"	Rents	496.25
" " "	"	Collections	362.90
" May "	"	Rents	922.50
" " "	"	Collections	485.65
			$13,879.05

Disbursements.

For June	1873	$1106.49
" July	"	1108.45
" August	"	1033.03
" September	"	1030.91
" October	"	1307.14
" November	"	1059.46
" December	"	1676.71
" January	1874	1044.79
" February	"	985.39
" March	"	1304.10
" April	"	1326.33
" May	"	1272.04
due Treasurer as per last Annual Report		1071.56
leaving bal. due Treas. this date		$1446.35
		$75,325.20

San Francisco, May 30th, 1874.

Respectfully submitted
(Signed) Henry L. Davis Treasurer

To the Board of Trustees and President of Mechanics Institute.

Gentlemen:-

I herewith submit my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements on a/c of the Sinking Fund for the year ending May, 1874.

Receipts.

For June, 1873		$124.25
" July "		117.89
" August "		73.69
" September "		128.49
" October "		118.22
" November "		82.92
" December "		128.57
" January 1874		155.66
" February "		104.44
" March "		127.08
" April "		85.91
" May "	and Interest $90.60	231.41
" Balance in Fund, May 31st, 1873		1057.44
		$3135.91

Disbursements.

Amt. paid City and County Taxes 1873-74 $1440.

leaving balance to credit of this fund of — $1695.91

Respectfully submitted

San Francisco, May 30th, 1874. H. L. Davis Treasurer

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen:

The following is a statement of the condition of the Special Life Membership Fund, to date.

The total amount received on a/c of this fund from Jan. 9th, 1872, to date has been $1800.00, of which the sum of $850.00 has been transferred to the general fund of the Institute, leaving a balance in the Treasury of $950.00.

{San Francisco, May 30th, 1874} Henry L. Davis Treasurer

The following Report of the Judge of Election was read, received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

San Francisco, June 1st, 1874.

At the regular Annual Election of the Mechanics Institute, held this day, the whole number of votes cast was was One hundred and fifty-one (151); and the following Candidates, having received respectively the numbers set opposite their names, are hereby declared to be duly elected Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute.

A. S. Hallidie, one hundred and forty-one, (141)
Asa K. Wells one hundred and forty-one, (141)
R. B. Woodward one hundred and forty three (143)
W. P. Stout one hundred and fifty-one (151)
K. L. Davis one hundred and forty-one (141)
Geo. Spaulding one hundred and forty-three (143)
James Spiers one hundred and forty-two (142)

Cornelius Holmes, C. C. Miller, Wm. Gruenhagen } Judges of Election

K. J. Holmes, C. K. Evans } Clerks of Election

On motion the action of the President in offering a reward of $50.00 for the discovery of the mutilator of the first volume of the "Graphic", who cut out the engraving of Henri Rochefort, was approved.

The matter of the entertainment at the Installation was referred to a committee of three appointed by the President, viz:- Messrs. Elliot, Spaulding, & Macdonald.

Adjourned

S. H. D. Wheeler
Rec. Secy

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute,
June 6th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by President.

Present at Roll Call,- Messrs. Davis, Elliot, Hallidie, Tredale, Jones, Macdonald, Patrick, Spaulding, Wells, and Wheeler.

On motion the bills audited by the Committee of Ways, Means, and Accounts, and the Committee on Books and Donations, were laid over to the next regular meeting of the new Board of Trustees.

Adjourned.

S. H. D. Wheeler
Rec. Secy

Annual Meeting of the Institute.
Hall of the Institute
Saturday, June 6th, 1874.

Meeting called to order by President Hallidie.

Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting and the special meetings of May 13th and May 26th, were read and approved.

The following Report of the Judges of Election was read and approved:-

At the regular Annual Election of the Mechanics' Institute, held this day, the whole number of votes cast was One hundred and fifty-one (151); and the following Candidates, having received respectively the numbers set opposite their names are hereby declared to be duly elected Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute;

A. S. Hallidie, one hundred and forty-one (141)
Asa K. Wells, one hundred and forty-one (141)
R. B. Woodward, one hundred and forty-three (143)
W. P. Stout, one hundred and fifty-one (151)
K. L. Davis, one hundred and forty-one (141)
Geo. Spaulding, one hundred and forty-three (143)
James Spiers one hundred and forty-two (142)

Cornelius Holmes, C. C. Miller, Wm. Gruenhagen } Judges of Election.

K. J. Holmes, C. K. Evans } Clerks of Election

The President presented his Annual Report, which was read by him, received, and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

For Report see Page 591.

On motion it was ordered that 500 copies of the President's Report be printed for distribution.

Mr. Gilmore presented the following Preamble and Resolutions, which were seconded and unanimously passed.

Whereas.- James Lick has deeded the whole of his immense estate to reliable citizens of San Francisco- in trust, for certain specified beneficiaries, - and

Whereas;- These munificent gifts are made, not as a will, or matter of final record, but are given in trust during the lifetime and mental vigor of the donor, in a spirit of unselfishness and self-sacrifice that challenges special acknowledgments of these beneficences of this citizen of California, and more faith in the humanities of men

Resolved,- By the Mechanics Institute in general meeting assembled that this Society desires to express to Mr. James Lick its appreciation of his acts; and it takes this occasion of the annual meeting of its members to thank him in behalf of humanity

and the interests this Institute represents, for the excellence of the donations and the wisdom of the provisions thereof.

Resolved:- That it is the heartfelt wish of the Mechanics' Institute that the mind that has endowed these beneficences and the wisdom that has guided that mind, may remain among us many years to come, to advise and guide in the consummation of these noble acts.

San Francisco, June 6th, 1874.

The President now called to the Chair Mr. Irving M. Scott, chairman of the Installing Committee, who, after appropriate remarks, administered the obligation to the Trustees elect, and then recalling Mr. Hallidie to the Chair, presented the following Resolution which was unanimously passed.

Resolved:- that it is the sense of the Mechanics' Institute that the Artisans of this city should place before the Trustees of Mr. Lick's donation such facts and inducements as to justify the purchase and completion of the Bronzes in this city.

Adjourned.

paton p. 106 new Book

We, the undersigned, having been duly elected Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute, do promise faithfully and honestly to perform the duties of said office and to support and advance the best interests of the Association

Signed this 6th day of June 1874.

R. Harrodice
Robert B. Woodward
Asa R. Wells
Geo. Spaulding
Henry L. Davis
Dan'l Sprague
W. P. Hunt

In presence of
Chas. Bryant Scott
Wm. McKibbin
H. C. Macy

Installing Committee

President's Report.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute.

Gentlemen:— The fiscal year having now ended, I respectfully submit the address and report usual at this date.

No unusual event has occurred to interrupt the progress of the Mechanics' Institute, but while your Society has been moving steadily forward, its progress has been retarded by want of funds, which has prevented any steps being taken in the direction of material enlargement of the Library of Reference, or in the establishment of a practical school of industrial education.

The Library of Reference contains valuable works on the arts and sciences, but as no important purchases have been made for about three years, the recent publications of scientific works have not found their way into that Library.

While it is absolutely necessary to keep up the supply of popular works of fiction, in order to furnish the general reader with books suited to his taste, it must be borne in mind that the real value of your Library consists in its richness in works of acknowledged value in the arts and sciences.

The transactions of scientific bodies at home and abroad, contain valuable papers bearing on these subjects; many of these transactions are in the Library, and efforts should be made to secure those already obtained. — The Library of Reference promises to become of incalculable value not only to the members of the Institute, but to the Pacific coast, and it has been the wish of the Trustees to place it on so sure a basis, that its value will not only be acknowledged, but appreciated. The books in this room are not permitted to be withdrawn, so that the dangers of damage

to the books, or absolute loss, is prevented, as well as the inconvenience of absence; it is, in fact, a safe depository. — It is to be hoped that our citizens will bear this in mind when they feel in a liberal mood, for I can assure them that there can be no gift so acceptable to the mechanic and scientist, or any searcher after truth, than a collection of valuable scientific works, and there is no place more convenient for the general public, and where such a gift can be so well guarded, and do so much good as the Reference Library of the Mechanics' Institute. — It is the intention of the Trustees to have a complete catalogue made of the works in that room.

The General Library is becoming crowded, and the need of more space will soon compel your Trustees to exercise some ingenuity in providing room without inconvenience to the members, or without much cash outlay.

The usual course of winter Lectures under the auspices of your Society, by the Professors in the University, has been completed. The attendance was not quite as good as usual, and the receipts were not quite sufficient to pay expenses. This may be accounted for from the number of similar lectures occurring in the same period, or from the fee for the course of fifteen lectures being placed at two dollars, — which, however, does not seem to be very large. It is difficult to assign any precise cause, and while we know that there is a requirement in the direction of popularizing industrial education, this requirement is so ill-defined, — so vague and general, — that it is difficult to put in precise form and really practical shape.

Those who, having given this matter the most thought, — see the vastness of the subject, — the unlimited field of experiment, and fear that a failure in a first attempt

would be a disaster from which it would be difficult to recover. — How far the Mechanics' Institute, the Public Schools, or the State University can take hold of this subject, must be a matter of careful consideration for the best minds and clearest heads of these times.

Let us teach our boys trades; in this I heartily concur, — also let them be disciplined in habits of industry, economy and good morals.

The University, the Public Schools, or the Mechanics' Institute, however much it may tend in this direction, is not the place to teach trades; the shops are the places for that; the former can prepare them for the practical affairs of life, — but the practice must be in the busy world, — the manufactory, the shop, or the counting-house; — these are already to hand, prepared and in working order, and there is no necessity for duplicating them. — If it should be made the province or duty of the Public Schools or the State University to teach trades, the question then arises, — what trades should be taught? I have asked this question of quite a number, and naturally the answers vary in accordance with the predilections or partialities of the individual.

It is very possible that the Regents of the University, or the Directors of the Public Schools, might in their judgment give more weight to one branch of trade than to another; — all trades would have equal rights; yet all could not be taught, — and where should we stop? Try and carry the suggestion to its legitimate conclusion, and the conclusion flies before you like an ever-retreating shadow. — When an exigency arises, or public policy demands the nurturing of a specified branch of industry, and the power to manage exists in the government, then a school of trade may be established, and supported at public expense: but under our form of government,

the man-milliner, or boot and shoemaker has the same right to consideration as the machinist or builder; — hence the branches of industry, the trades to be taught, are so numerous, and the field to be covered so extensive, that the public funds would be unable to pay a fraction of the expense, and if attached to the public-school system, it must inevitably imperil the very existence of the school system itself. Suppose such trade-schools were established; the necessary machinery of sufficient capacity to meet the demands of the youths, was purchased, and placed in running order, in suitable buildings; the aim of each shop would be to make itself, as far as possible, self-sustaining, and thus it would come immediately in competition with shops and manufactories already established; you can conceive the result. It is a social weakness that prevents boys of this generation, in this city, learning trades, and we must look elsewhere than to legislation to correct it; — family and friendly influences, and parental estimates of the capacity of their children, do not conduce to the proper training of young men, and until these influences direct themselves to a full appreciation of the importance of the subject, small progress will be made.

I do not wish it to be understood that I believe the State Institutions of learning perform their functions in the manner best adapted to bring about the result desired by ourselves; — in almost all ages there is a leaning towards polite literature and the classics, — which is all proper enough, if it does not crowd out the practical, industrial, or technical. If Mrs. Shoddy tries to make a brilliant lawyer or profound mathematician out of her boy, the process may be similar to propagating hyacinths from cauliflowers, — the experiment being at the expense of the cauliflowers, —

yet no one can deny Mrs. Shoddy the right to make the experiment, except, perhaps, on the score of humanity.

It is a good sign that this subject of trade tuition is obtaining attention from the public, but it does not make this learning of trades any the more respectable or inviting, by claiming that it is a cure for Hoodlumism. A hoodlum is a rank outgrowth from and indifferent, rotten parental stem; and it is very probable that under precisely the conditions and circumstances, I, or you would be just as bad: — and I do not think the indiscriminate application of this term to those boys who are not "tied to their mothers' apron strings", is judicious, or right; — the boys of this city are not half as bad as their reputation, or as bad as those who have made this reputation for them.

The shops of San Francisco, are, as a rule, ready and willing to take apprentices, boys who have been trained up in average good principles, — and give them every advantage. The apprenticeship laws in force in California are similar to those in the Eastern States, and were enacted with a view to protect and encourage both apprentice and employer. This fact does not seem to be generally known or recognized, but by reference to the new Civil Code, Sec. 264 to 276, it will be fully understood.

Now with shops in existence where trade can be taught, and willingness on the part of the proprietors of these shops to take apprentices, there must be something wrong, that no public trade-school can make right; — and the causes I believe to be; first, — unwillingness of parents and guardians to make tradesmen or mechanics of their boys; — second, — the discredit into which trade tuition has been thrown, by inconsiderately proclaiming it the antidote to hoodlumism; — third, — the misguidance of noisy mechanical politicians; — fourth; —

the general mode of training in the public schools; - fifth; - the indifference of public sentiment; - and sixth, - the absence of any tangible evidence, such as a certificate, that an apprentice had served his time, and been satisfactorily examined, as a qualified mechanic.

And in reference to this latter - this difficulty might be surmounted, if the State Board of Regents were instructed to appoint annually a competent committee to examine the qualifications of different claimants for a certificate of competence in any branch of trade to which the applicant may have faithfully served an apprenticeship.

The true solution to this problem would be the establishment of a Mechanical School by private beneficence, where such rules can be adopted as are best suited to the case, and where the constant care would be to teach such trades as the deliberate judgment of the managers might deem best adapted to the youths of San Francisco.

In this direction a private endowment would succeed, when a State Institution would fail, for the reasons already set forth.

Towards this end, a number of gentlemen last winter signified a desire to contribute, and a sum equal to $15,000. a year for two years was guaranteed to try the experiment.

Since writing the foregoing, the facts have become public in relation to the bequest of Mr. James Lick of this city; bequests so magnificent, - amounting to over $2,000,000, - and so admirably bestowed, that it would seem as if he had lived under the guidance of California's good angel, and had made this donation by inspiration.

The act must send a thrill of pleasure through the soul of every good citizen, and call up an earnest prayer in behalf of the donor.

Mr. Lick, as you know, was a mill-wright,

a most skillful one, - witness his mill in Santa Clara County. Not alone did he excel in this branch of mechanics, but in exquisite inlaid work he was a master; the contributions solicited from him for our Fairs, attest this, as well as the beautiful clock-frame he presented to the Society - his own handiwork.

He believes in the mechanic arts, and is proud to-day of his connection with them.

You have been under many obligations to him; the first and second Fairs ever held by you, were held on ground owned by Mr. Lick, the free use of which he gave to you. And now he has not forgotten you. He provides $10,000 for your library, for the purchase of mechanical and scientific works; and then in recognition of the value of the Mechanic Arts, he provides the princely sum of $300,000 to found and endow an institution to be called the "California School of Mechanical Arts;" - thus in one stroke of the pen solving the problem of trades-schools, by establishing the institution referred to, by private endowment. - His other beneficiences I need not refer to; they speak for themselves; they need no eulogies at my hands, and never does the mind and the lip feel so weak as when standing in presence of these facts.

Well done, noble citizen of the Commonwealth!!

A number of recognized civil mining and mechanical engineers of this city have organized a "Society of Engineers," the officers of which are Messrs. Allardt, Hanscom, Dickey, and Smedberg; its meetings are held regularly in this building. The Trustees of the Institute desire to extend to it all courtesy and aid possible, believing that such kindred societies of special character must be valuable auxiliaries in

developing the proper conception and appreciation of the mechanic arts.

Among the organizations developed during the year, there is one solely in the interests of the youths of the city, – those who if allowed to grow wild and rank in this climate of rapid vegetation, will most probably become burdens on the public, – allies of crime, – in other words, will develop into "hoodlums."

It is for the homeless and neglected juveniles, – those who, failing the care and attention they should get at home, or failing a home, have up to a certain age, a right to the care and protection of the community, a duty the community cannot shirk, except at cost to itself.

The Boys and Girls' Aid Society does not propose to deal with criminals, – it cannot hope for much success here, if the law fails, – but it proposes as far as is in its power, to prevent the youths from developing into criminals, and to engender in them self-respect and independence, with a proper regard for the rights of others. It is entirely unsectarian, and will do a vast amount of good if it receives the support from the community which I believe it deserves.

The various meetings of the Trustees of this Society, of which Mr. George C. Hickox, whom you all know, and who is still proud of being a mechanic, – is the head, have been held in a room tendered them by the Mechanics' Institute. Let me appeal to you on behalf of the boys and girls of this city. You may be sure that every dollar invested to aid this benevolence will return a handsome interest.

Preparations for the Centennial Exhibition to be held in the city of Philadelphia in 1876, are being pushed ahead as fast as the differences of opinion and local jealousies will permit. Outside of Pennsylvania, but little pecuniary aid

has been extended by the people, – but little of the stock issued by the Board of Finance to furnish the funds required, has been subscribed for.

A Proclamation has been made by the President of the United States, under authority from Congress, announcing the fact that an International Exhibition will be held in Philadelphia, during the year 1876, in celebration of the nation's 100th anniversary of its birth, and inviting foreign nations to participate. – The wisdom of this latter clause may be questioned, – but this act having been done and under sanction of Congress, it seems to me to be too late to retract. The good faith of the nation is pledged to the faithful performance of the promise made.

That the difficulties now existing will be fully overcome, and the celebration will be held in a degree fully in accord with, and in proportion to, the greatness of the nation whose birth it will celebrate, – I have no doubt; for I believe that as the time approaches, the enthusiasm and patriotism of the people will be fully aroused; and as we are to have an international, instead of a national exhibition, – let it be on such a scale as will show the nation's resources, and the nation's strength, by this exhibition of peace and industry, overshadowing similar exhibitions held by the nations of Europe.

The Board of Managers having charge of the forthcoming Industrial Fair to be held under the auspices of your Society, have had a herculean work before them; and have been untiring in their energies and persevering in their efforts to get up a Fair creditable to California, to San Francisco, and to the Mechanics' Institute.

Although the Board of Managers is a distinct body from the Board of Trustees and this Society is in no way legally

responsible for its acts; - so that, in event of loss, the Mechanics' Institute is held harmless as far as possible, - I think it proper to report at this time, what has been done up to this moment.

The Board found itself without funds, grounds, or buildings of any kind, which I think you will admit was not much foundation to start an Industrial Exhibition on, and it was a serious consideration as to how to begin. The only capital the Board had was considerable faith, mixed with some earnestness and determination.

During the past two years a large amount of property has been submitted to and examined by committees appointed for the purpose; it was not thought well to construct another temporary building of wood, but hopes were entertained that some plan might be hit upon whereby a permanent site might be secured, and hence a permanent building; in this, in spite of the best efforts of your Board and many friends of the Society, there was an utter failure, and it was only late in 1873, that an arrangement was made between Mr. Andrew McCreery and the gentlemen comprising the Board of Managers, for the occupancy of two 160 vara lots owned by him on the eastern side of Eighth Street between Mission and Market, for a term of six years, - the conditions being that the Managers should pay all assessments on said property for that term, with a further bonus of $7500, if it was determined to occupy the land the sixth year.

As early as practicable in the Spring, letters were addressed to the different City railroad companies, asking from each of them a donation to aid the enterprise, on the grounds that no corporations would be so favorably affected by the holding of a

series of Fairs, as these companies, who would transport the visitors to the Fair - I would remind you that there are six different lines of horse cars approaching within two blocks of the Fair grounds, and that it was not unreasonable to look for assistance to the amount of $20,000 in the aggregate from them. It was a considerable disappointment and surprise to us that our application was denied.

The failure in this direction did not raise the enthusiasm of the Managers, or clear up the clouds of financial embarrassment. - Meanwhile, time was passing; - the Board had determined, by resolution to open the Fair on the 18th of August, 1874, at 11, A. M. The next move was to make personal application to the corporations, and citizens at large, for loans without interest, to be repaid from the net proceeds receipts of the Fairs - a mode that had been tried before to a limited extent with success, - involving, however, considerable labor on the part of the members of the Board. In this effort we had so many assurances of goodwill and kindly feeling, that the Managers went forward with the work, obtained plans and specifications from Mr. David Farquharson for a building much larger than originally intended, and advertised for bids to construct the same.

Meantime, Mr. J. H. Gilmore had been appointed Special Agent, and reported success in his department, the application for space being much beyond expectation; and the members of the Board of Managers had not been idle in obtaining subscriptions to the loan. - By the 1st of May the total subscription amounted to $39,000; and at a subsequent meeting, certain members of the Board pledged themselves to secure further loans to the amount of $24,000, making in the aggregate $63,000. This sum must be increased to $75,000, in

order to enable the Managers to meet their Contract before the 1st of August.

On the 7th of May, a contract was entered into with Mr. James Drury, for the construction of the building at a cost of $69600: the fitting-up will probably cost $25000 more, or say $95000 in all.

The building will be a strong, substantial structure, erected on brick foundation, having a main nave 440 feet long 100 feet span, and 81 feet high, with a balcony 20 feet above the floor, projecting into the nave 16 feet, and surrounding the same.

Entirely around the main nave, there will be a two-story building 50 feet wide, each story 20 feet high; this building will have a frontage on Eighth Street of 541 feet, on Market Street 200 feet, on the rear of the Lot 541 feet and on Mission Street 200 feet, or a total frontage of 1481 feet — 2 stories high.

The main entrance will be on Mission Street, protected from the wind, on the sunny side of the street and in closest contiguity to the various lines of street cars.

The Art-Galleries will be on Eighth Street the light to which will be admitted from the roof on the north side, through heavy corrugated glass, protected from the rays of the Sun.

The Machinery Department will be on the Easterly side, — entrances being from Stevenson and Jessie Streets. The total amount of floor room will be 187000 feet. The following table shows the floor-room of different Fair buildings constructed under the auspices of this Society, and by which a comparison can be drawn.

Year	1857	1858	1864	1865	1868
Area feet	20,000.	25000	55000	61,000.	75,000.
Year	1869	1871	1874.		
Area	87,000	120000	187000.		

One third of this space is actually used for exhibiting purposes; the balance — two thirds being consumed in fountains, galleries, space for visitors, etc.; each exhibitor requires a total space of 110 feet; therefore in the above building there will be room for 1700 exhibitors.

As at the last Fair, there were 1020 exhibitors, doubtless the building now in course of construction will be large enough without alteration for three years.

It is believed that there will be a very large increase of exhibitors and visitors: the attendance of the latter has always been large; by actual count, at the last Fair, 21,756 persons passed into the building in one day — an important item for the street-car lines, the importance of which the R. R. companies of Chicago, Philadelphia and other cities were fully alive to. I doubt not that the street R. R. companies of San Francisco, will, on due reflection, come forward liberally to the support of the enterprise; an enterprise involving an immense amount of care and gratuitous labor on the part of the Managers — but of immense benefit to the City of San Francisco, and the industrial interests of this State.

In respect to the condition of the Institute during the past year, the Committee on Library Rooms and Building report that the building is in good repair, and that the rentable portions are occupied by good tenants.

The Committee draws the attention of the Board to the lack of shelf-room in the Library, and advises that steps be taken to provide better facilities for the Library and Reading Room, and Chess-Room, as well as the other departments of the Institute. The total outlay incurred by the Committee during the year amounts to $1582.07; of which $625.13 was for new carpets, and $626.28 for furniture carpets and fixtures in the Lower Hall.

The Committee on Books and Donations

report having expended $2523. for new books, and deplore that they are so restricted in their expenditures, which are entirely inadequate to the requirements of the Society, as there never was a time when the supply of valuable technical works was so great, and the demand is at all times fully up to the supply.

During the year, 1261 volumes have been added to the Library by purchase, classified as follows:—

Science and Art	284	Poetry & Drama	43
Fiction	605	Travels	36
Essay & General Literature	115	Law & Political Economy	13
Biography	63	Wit & Humor	6
History	69	Encyclopaedia & Dictionary	18
Sundries	15	Bound Periodicals	4

During the year 83 321 books have been withdrawn from the Library; this number will give you some idea of the general activity of our General Library.

The Committee on Lectures and Classes reports that the course of Lectures held during the past winter were not as popular as heretofore, and lacked about $20.00 of paying the expenses of the same.

The Committee of Ways, Means, and Accounts report the Treasurer's Reports as correct. — The total number of volumes now in your Library is 19807.

The number of members who have joined the Institute during the year, is 519; and your membership roll contains names in good standing to the number of 1456.

The financial Statement of the Society for the year ending May 31st, 1874 is as follows:

Institute Fund. Receipts.		
Rents	$7003.75	
Dues — Membership &c.	$6875.30	$13879.05
Bal. due Treasurer this date		1446.35
		$15325.40

Disbursements.

Insurance	$690.	
Interest	537.42	
Books	2859.98	
Periodicals, Newspapers	1039.72	
Book-binding	807.30	
Advertising	85.	
Furniture & Supplies	407.94	
Sundries & Petty Cash	626.06	
Water	215.	
Gas	1002.23	
Improvements & Repairs	269.22	
Printing	185.	
Sinking Fund	1387.87	
Salaries	4140.	$14253.84
Due Treasurer May 31st 1873,		1071.56
		$15325.40

Sinking Fund. Receipts.

Balance on hand May 31st 1873	$1657.44
10% Receipts for this year,	1387.87
Interest on Balances	90.60
	$3135.91.

Disbursements.

City & Co. taxes for 1873-74,	$1440.
Balance on hand	1695.91

Life Membership (Special)

36 Life Members from Jan. 9 1872	$1800.
Amt. transferred to General Fund	850.
Bal. on hand	$950.

The Assets and Liabilities of this Society are as follows:—

Assets.

Lot & Building on Post St.	$120000.
Library	25000.
Fixtures and Furniture	6000.
Cash on hand — Sinking Fund	1695.91
Special Fund Life Membership	1800.
Cash in hands of Librarian	114.40
Dues unpaid and collectable	400.
May rent — E. Neumann — store	125.
	$155135.31

Liabilities.

Bal. due on Mortgage	$5000.
Due Treasurer	1446.35
Due Life Membership Fund	850.
Bills not paid (including Salaries & Expenses for June)	202.38
	$9498.73

Net Assets, $145636.68

The average monthly revenue for the past year was as follows:—

From Rent	$583.63
" Dues	572.94
	$1156.57

The Mechanics' Institute has a glorious future before it, and a grand field of usefulness; let it go forward having faith in its destiny, and hampered by no narrowness of mind or selfishness; it will be a blessing to the mechanic and an aid to industry. While doing its work, let it help everything that helps mankind, and thus, while thus Society honors its members, each member, in this spirit, will do honor to the Mechanics' Institute.

In conclusion, I would add that for the kindly courtesy and co-operation of the members and Officers during the year just ended, I beg to return my sincere thanks.

(Signed) A. S. Halliday.
President.

Special Meeting of the New Board of Trustees for Organization

Rooms of the Institute
June 6th 1874

Present—Messrs. Davis, Wells, Elliot, Cornwall, Spaulding, Stout—Savage, Spiers Macdonald, Curtis, Woodward, Jones Halliday & Patrick.

On motion Mr Patrick was elected President Pro. Tem. & Mr Jones, Secretary Pro. Tem.

On motion the Secretary was requested to cast the ballot for Mr A. S. Halliday as President.

Mr A. S. Halliday was then unanimously elected as President & took his seat as such.

The Board then completed its Organization by electing the remaining Officers as follows:

Vice President	R. B. Cornwall
Treasurer	Henry L. Davis
Recording Secretary	Henry M. Jones
Corresponding do	James Spiers

On motion Meeting then adjourned

[illegible]
President
Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
June 16th 1874

The Meeting was called to order by the President.

The Secretary, Mr Jones, being absent, on motion Mr Stout was elected Secretary Pro. Tem.

Following Gentlemen present, Messrs. Davis, Wells

Elliot, Cornwall, Spaulding Savage, Spiers, MacDonald, Curtis, Patrick, Stout & Mr President.

Minutes of Regular Meeting held June 2nd & of Special Meeting held June 6th read & approved.

The Standing Committees to serve during the ensuing year were appointed by the President as follows.

Library, Rooms & Building
McDonald, Wells & Stout

Books & Donations
Elliot, Spaulding & Woodward

Ways Means & Accounts
Patrick, Stout & Spaulding

Lectures & Classes
Savage, Wells, Curtis

A communication from Mr Henry H. Jones was read whereby that gentleman resigned as a member of the Board of Trustees.

On motion said resignation of Mr Jones was accepted.

On motion the election of a Trustee to fill the vacancy in the Board was postponed until the next meeting.

A communication from the Fourth of July Committee was read & ordered filed, inviting the Mechanics' Institute to take part as a body in the celebration in our City of the Ninety Eighth Anniversary of our Independence.

A motion passed that the salary of the Assistant Librarian Mr George C. Coleman, be raised to $125 per month, commencing June 1st 1874

The Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts presented the following Bills Approved.

No 113	Union Ins. Co.	Premium on Policy renewed	225.00
" 114	J. Sabin Sons	5 Volumes Examinists	28.00
" 115	Morningstar	Advertising Election	16.50
" 116	S.F. Gas Light Co	Gas in Apr. & in part of May	142.25
" 117	D. McCobb	Rubber Moulding	5.00
" 118	Henry L. Davis	Int. on Overdraft	90.66
" 119	Bartling & Himball	Reciept Books &c.	36.00
" 120	Bulletin Co.	Advertising Election &c	33.00
" 121	G.C. Kimball	Salary for May	175.00
" 122	G.C. Coleman	" " "	100.00
" 123	W.H.H. Smith	" " "	70.00
" 124	Payot, Upham & Co	Books in "	90.37
" 125	Petty Cash		48.50
" 126	" "	Janitress in April	38.10
" 127	" "	" " May	51.75
" 128	A.L. Bancroft & Co	Books " "	114.20

The above Bills having been read by the Secretary On Motion were ordered paid & orders drawn upon the Treasurer for their amounts

Meeting then adjourned

W.H. Stout
Recording Secretary
Pro. Tem.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
July 7th 1874.

The Meeting was called to order by the President.

There being no regular Recording Secretary W.H. Stout was elected Secretary Pro. Tem.

The following Gentlemen were present; Messrs. Davis, Wells, Elliot, Cornwall, Spaulding, Savage, Spiers, MacDonald, Woodward, Stout ~~and~~ Patrick and Mr President.

Mr Curtis was absent

Minutes of Special Meeting of New Board for Organization held June 6th and of last Regular meeting held June 16th read and approved.

There were no Reports from the Committees on Library, Rooms and Building; Books and Donations; and Lectures & Classes.

The Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts presented the following Bills-approved.

No 129- Evening Bulletin to Subscription	Mch 28 to July 4	26.25
" 130- Alta Alta Cal. Co. "	April 1 to July 1st	12.-
" 131- Post Pub. Co. Advertising		6.-
" 132 T. MacCrellish "		10.50
" 133 J. M. Eckfeldt & Co- 2 Window Screens		22.-
" 134 Petty Cash		20.40
" 135 Chronicle advertising		31.12
" 136 W. H. W. Smith Salary for June		70.-
" 137 G. G. Hurlbut " " "		175.-
" 138 E. P. Coleman " " "		125-
" 139 Payot, Upham		68.24
" 140 Petty Cash		98.95
" 141 A. L. Bancroft	73 c. 18	64.72
— Spring Valley W. Works- Water for June	Not Paid	18.00

On Motion the Spring Valley Water Bill was referred to Mr Elliot.

On Motion the remaining bills were ordered paid & orders drawn upon the Treasurer for their amounts respectively.

The following Report of the Librarian for the Month of June was read by the Secretary.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to lay before you the following Report for the Month of June

Amount received for Initiation fees		$ 51.00
" " " Dues Collected		733.50
" " " Old Carpet Sold		38.00
" " " Rent Golden Gate Chapter		35.00

Amount received for rent Jno. F. Snow		70.00
" " " " Heald's Business College		50.00
" " " " Golden Gate Lodge		20.00
" " " " W. G. Badger Surveyor's fine		27.50
" " " " T. Newman, to July 1st		250.00
" " " " A. K. P. Dore		17.50
" " " " Crockett Lodge		35.00
" " " " California "		30.00
" " " " J. O'Donnell		70.00
		1427.50
Balance on hand June 1st		300.40
Received for Initiation fees & Dues		754.50
" " Old Carpet		38.00
" " Rents Collected		605.00
		1727.90
Paid H. Z. Davis Treasurer	$ 1425.35	
Petty Cash 9th Industrial Exhibition	55.65	
" " for June Institute	119.35	
Cash on hand July 1st	124.55	1727.90

The rent for the Third District Court Room has not yet been Paid.

Fifty one new members have joined the Institute viz:

John Keane	Henry Hawley	W. W. English
Patrick McKeague	J. B. Bailey	Paul Moses
W. H. Purdy	Horace H. Bowman	David S. Swart
Chas. Belch	D. J. Delay	F. H. McConnell
Chas. K. Scammon	W. S. Leber	Hubert Burgess
F. McNolayson	Louis Koster	W. F. Koster
R. H. Baunton	Mrs S. J. Edwards	Miss Lottie Williams
W. B. Hyde	Maggie Hendry	C. Vanderbilt
D. W. Cline	A. F. Allen	C. J. Pullen
C. G. Roberts	F. J. Welsh	Dr. L. C. Raymond
Mrs W. B. Cross	Mrs S. H. Crowe	Susie Bowee
Mrs J. A. Bromwell	S. W. Shaw	L. H. Nicholls
M. Leach	J. F. McDougald	Mrs S. C. White
Genevieve Hatch	Elmer Cook	F. W. Damrell
J. M. Parker	John Laird	E. C. Francis
J. B. Hunt	F. M. Orjubin	Walter E. Gould
H. W. Murray	Thos. Burns	H. Wm Prentice

There have been added to the Library Eighty two volumes, by purchase; Fiction 47, Law 4, Science & Art 13, Travel 3, Essays 3, Cyclopaedia 1, Biography 1, Theology 3, History 6, Poetry 2,

The Donations received were:
from Chief of Ordnance U.S.A.
Repeating Firing Guns of Large Calibre
from Archibald Cooper,
The Confessions of J.J. Rousseau 4 Vols, London 1817
from the Am. Swedenborg Printing & Publishing Co. N.Y.
The Works of Swedenborg 12 Vols 8vo
from Mr D.C. Stone
The Trials of Publick Benefactors N.Y. 1857
The Oil Regions of Pennsylvania " " 1865
Clapp's Autobiographical Sketches " " 1857
A Complete Etymology of the English Language N.Y. 1869
Chevalier on the Value of Gold " " 1859
Say's Political Economy Phil. 1841
Ure's Philosophy of Manufactures London 1861
Carpenter's Mechanical Philosophy Horology and
Astronomy London 1857
All of which is respectfully submitted
G.C. Hubbert
Librarian

San Francisco
July 6 1874

The above report of the Librarian was
accepted & ordered spread on the minutes.

The names of the new Members contained
therein were on motion approved.

The Corresponding Secretary was on
Motion authorized to have blank
forms of acknowledgment of Donations
prepared.

A communication from Mr Moran
Chargé d'Affaires of the U.S. at London
was read by the President.

The election of a Trustee to fill the ~~vacancy~~
vacancy occasioned by the resignation of
Henry W. Jones was postponed until the next meeting.

On Motion the Meeting then adjourned
W. P. Stout
Rec. Sec. Pro Tem.

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees.
Rooms of Institute
July 11th 1874

Meeting called to order by the President who stated
that the meeting was called to consider the propriety
of offering Premiums to apprentices & to pupils
in the Public Evening Schools of San Francisco
for drawings, designs &c. to be exhibited at
the Ninth Industrial Exhibition.

Following Members of Board Present viz: Messrs
Davis, Wells, Elliot, Cornwall, Spaulding, Savage,
Spiers, MacDonald, Woodward, Stout, &
Patrick & Mr President.

On Motion Mr. Stout was elected, Secretary
Pro. Tem.

An extract from the Report of the 8th Industrial
Exhibition relating to the Special matter under
consideration was read by the President.

Plan of proposed ~~Premiums~~ was also read by
the ~~Presentation~~ President

Said proposed Plan after discussion and
amendment was finally adopted as follows:

Premiums for Mechanical & Architectural
Drawing offered by the Mechanics' Institute
to Apprentices & to Pupils in the Public Evening
Schools of San Francisco
Schedule

II

Gold Medal & set of Drawing Instruments
for the best original design for a machine,
being working drawings in detail to scale,
with specifications. The competitors being subject
to a verbal examination by a committee
regarding the same. Confined to competitors not
over 20 years of age.

III

Gold Medal & set of Drawing Instruments for the

best original design for a house adapted to this climate and the use of a mechanic, with specifications. The competitors being subject to verbal examination by a committee. Competition also confined to those not over 20 years of age.

III

Silver Medal & Set of Drawing Instruments to competitors not over 18 years of age for the best drawing of an actual machine, taken from the Machine itself, with detail.

IV

Silver Medal & Set of Drawing Instruments for competitors not over 18 years of age, for the best drawing of an existing Building in this City, being the elevation and front view.

V.

Silver medal for competitors not over 18 years of age for the best copy of mechanical drawing

VI

Silver Medal for competitors not over 16 years of age for the best copy of an Architectural drawing

VII

Certificate of Merit for Competitors not over 16 years of age for the best tracing

The above premium List have been read & adopted, on motion the meeting then adjourned

W. P. Flint
Rec. Sec. Pro. Tem.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Tuesday July 21st 1874

The Meeting was called to order by the President

There being no regular Recording Secretary, on motion W. P. Flint was elected Recording

Secretary Pro. Tem.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday Evening July 7th and of the Special Meeting held July 11th read and approved.

The Treasurer presented the following Report which was read by the Secretary and on Motion received, ordered spread on the minutes and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts

The following Members were present at roll Call Mesrs. Davis, Elliot, Savage, Spins, Woodward, Flint, Patrick & Mr President. — Messrs Wells, Cornwall, & Spaulding came in later.

The Treasurer presented the following Report which was read by the Secretary and on motion received, ordered spread on the minutes and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for June 1874

Receipts

On a/c of Rents	605
" " " Collections	823.35
Total	1428.35

Disbursements

Amnt paid		
Payot, Upham & Co -	Books	90.37
D. M. Cobb -	Rubber Moulding	5.
Librarian	Petty Cash	138.35
E. C. Curlburt	Salary for May	175.
E. P. Coleman	do	100.
W. H. W. Smith	do	70.
H. L. Davis -	Interest on overdraft	90.60
Gas Co.	Gas for April	142.45

Over

Bancroft & Co Books	114.20
Union Ins. Co. Ins. to June 9	41.66
Sinking Fund 10 ℘ ℅ of Receipts	142.38
Balance due Treas. as per Report for May	1446.35
Total	2556.81

Balance due Treasurer this date $1128 46/100

San Francisco 3 Respt'y Submitted
June 30 - 1874 3 Henry L. Davis
Treas.

Mr Elliot reported Spring Valley Water Bill reduced to $12.00 per Month.

Spring Valley Water Bill for the months of & amounting to $24.00 was ordered paid by Order on the Treasurer.

On Motion it was decided by the Board that August 31st up to 10 O'Clock P. M. be the last date for receiving entries for the premiums offered by the Institute to Apprentices & pupils in the Public Evening Schools.

Mr Elliot gave notice

A Communication from the Librarian asking for the employment of Extra help about the Building was read by the Secretary & referred to the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts to examine and report.

A motion was passed that the Board go into an election to fill the ~~vacancy~~ vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry W. Jones, ~~But after some~~

Mr Patrick nominated D. S. Van Van Winkle

after some debate said last motion was

reconsidered & a motion passed that said Election be made the special order for the next regular meeting of the Trustees.

On Motion the Committee on Books & Donations were directed to have tickets printed containing the standing Committees of the Board.

On Motion the application of Timothy Elsworth to have duplicate diploma furnished, was granted on condition that it should be at his sole expense or on his giving satisfactory proof of loss.

On Motion the Committee on Books & Donations were directed to purchase a new Minute Book wherein to record the transactions of the Board

Board then adjourned
W. P. Stout
Recording Sec. Pro. Tem.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Tuesday August 4th 1874

The Meeting was called to Order by the President

Following Gentlemen present at Roll call viz: Messrs Davis, Wells, Elliot, Spaulding, Spiers, MacDonald, Curtis, Woodward, Stout, Patrick & Mr President.

The following bills, approved by the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts, were read by the Secretary;

No. 143	C. W. Gordon - Printing tickets & Report	24.00
" 144	Librarians' Petty Cash	44.45
" 145	J. P. O'Brien Repairs - Plumbing Work	10.00
" 146	Wentzell & Hartman Clock & Repairs	17.00
" 147	S. C. Hurlbut Salary for July	175.00

No. 148	Geo. T. Coleman Sal. for July	125.00
" 149	W. H. W. Smith " "	70.00
" 150	D. Nicholls Binding to Aug. 1st	164.50
" 151	Payot Upham Books to Aug 1st	129.41
" 152	A. Roman & Co " " "	36.42
" 153	A. L. Bancroft & Co " " "	41.42
" 154	Librarians' Petty Cash	61.80
" 155	W. E. Loomis Papers & Magazines	205.62
		1111.64

Said Bills were then ordered to be paid by order on the Treasurer

Following Report of the Treasurer was read by the Secretary & referred to the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts to examine & Report

To the President & Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts & Disbursements for July 1874

Receipts

Balance on hand	$ 420
" " " Collections	694.35
Total	1114.35

Disbursements

Amount Paid		
Payot Upham & Co (Books)		68.24
J. Fabio & Sons	do	25.
Carrier "Alta Cal"	Subscription	12.
Bancroft & Co	(Books)	64.72
Bulletin Co	Advertising	33.
Post Pub. Co.	do	6.
J. M. Eckfeldt	Window Screen	22.
Carrier Bulletin	Subscription	26.25
S. C. Hulbert (Sal. for June)		175.
G. T. Coleman	do	125.
W. H. W. Smith	do	70.
Librarian Petty Cash		119.35
Abend Post	Advertising	5.
Chronicle	do	31.12

Bastling & Kimball	Binding	36.00
L. MacClellish	Advertising	19.25
Union Insurance Co.	Int. to July 9th	41.66
Sinking Fund	10 P. C. of Receipts	111.42
Amount due Treasurer as per Rep't for June		1125.46
		1422.48

Balance due Treasurer this date $1008.13

San Francisco July 31st 1874

Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas.

The following Report of the Librarian for the Month of July was read by the Secretary, the names of new members contained therein approved & the Report referred to the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts to examine & Report.

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I have the honor to lay before you the following report for the Month of July:

Amount received for	Initiation Fees	55.00
"	" " Life Memberships	150.-
"	" " dues collected	631.50
"	" " rent from J. L. Snow	70.00
"	" " " " Healds' Business College	50.00
"	" " " " Golden Gate Lodge $35.00	
Less	Payment to Janitor 20	15.00
Amount received for	rent from Golden Gate Chapter $52.50	35.00
"	" " " " W. J. Badgeters 1 year	27.50
"	" " " " Golden Gate Lodge	40.00
"	" " " " Gift sales night	15.00
"	" " " " Cal. Chapter No. 4	20.-
"	" " " " from J. O'Donnell	70.00
"	" " " " " Cook & Done	17.50
"	" " " " " E. Newman	50
		1256.50

(over)

Balance on Hand July 1st	279.55
Received for Membership Dues	836.50
" " Rents	420.00
	1556.05

Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer (ordinary)	1114.35
" " " " " (special)	150.00
Petty Cash Bills 9th Ind. Ex.	58.65
do Bill for July	106.25
Cash on hand Aug 1st	127.80
	1556.05

The City still owes for the rent of the Third District Court Room, Four Hundred Dollars, for the two (2) months ending Aug 1st. Mr Newman is behind hand Seventy-five Dollars for the month of July

Fifty-five regular members have joined the Institute viz:

C. D. Hoyt	R. Espinosa	W. D. Plummer
L. W. Abbott	Jno. H. Wheeler	Mrs H. S. Crocker
J. C. Matson	Gracie Mathieson	H. Witherington
Robt. Coulter	George Leonard	Mrs A. W. Borden
F. H. McDowell	H. B. Phillips	C. C. Barcelon
P. Carrigan	Jennie Bryan	W. C. Randolph
Katie Harris	Mrs C. J. Rae	P. Stanmage
L. C. McAfee	H. S. Durden	Miss A. M. W. Henderson
Mrs M. J. Mayhew	Mrs H. M. Lewis	Dr. W. T. Wyttie
C. B. Pearson	J. A. Nicholson	J. C. Van Bibber
S. H. Cook	E. S. Spring	Mrs C. J. Hall
W. A. Shaw	I. G. Blanding	A. N. Mitchell
Horace Jones	Nelly Rogers	T. S. Tweedale
Morris M. Davis	E. C. Williamson	C. H. Boynton
Mrs D. M. Taylor	Mrs Horace Beach	Geo. E. French
Jno. Chalmers	Jacob Robinson	S. Dinsmore
H. A. Rindge	Walter Carey	E. E. Denley
L. Lombaldo	E. Connolly	S. H. Newhall
W. H. Marston		

Mr Jonathan Kittredge has become a Life Member; and Messrs. Atkins Massey & H. L. Hutchinson have joined the Institute as Life Members.

The volumes added to the Library number 135 classified as follows; Fiction 53 Science & Art 54, Poetry 4, Cyclopaedias &

Dictionaries 4, Travel 4, Biography 6, History 2, Essays & General Literature 8.

Donations were received;

from Alexander Forrest

Ladnes' Introduction to Chemical Philosophy

The Admiralty Manual of Scientific Enquiry

from Amos Bowman

Report on the Properties and Domain of the California Water Company situated on Georgetown divide

All of which is respectfully submitted

E. C. Hurlbut

Librarian

San Francisco

Aug 3rd 1874

Motion passed that Board go into an election to fill the ~~vacancy~~ vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry W Jones.

Nominations being declared in order by the President Messrs. R. E. Hayes & I. S. Van Winkle were nominated

Upon a ballot being taken, Messrs Elliot & Patrick acting as tellers (10) Ten votes were cast of which Mr Hayes received Eight (8), and Mr Van Winkle Two (2)

Mr Hayes election was then made ~~unanimous~~ unanimous.

The Treasurers' Report for the Month of June was reported back approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts

On Motion the vote taken at a former meeting determining the last date for receiving entries for the premiums offered to Apprentices & to Pupils in the public Evening Schools of San Francisco was reconsidered & said date was on Motion altered to Sept. 10 at 10 O'Clock P. M.

The Committee on Ways Means & &c. reported in favour of employing extra help about the Institute in the form of a boy not exceeding 16 years of age at a salary not exceeding 40 Dollars per Month.

The matter was referred back to the Committee to devise Ways & Means.

The Matter of having a man sleeping in the Building was referred to the Committee on Library, Rooms & Building.

The Matter of procuring Keys to the Rooms rented by the City & County in the Institute Building to afford ready ingress in case of fire therein was referred to the above Committee

On Motion Meeting then adjourned

W. P. Flood
Rec. Sec. Pro. Tem.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute held at the Pavilion on Tuesday September 9th 1874.

Present a full Board.

The meeting was called to order by the President and on motion D E Hayes was elected Secretary pro tem.

The Committee on Building, reported that the back stairs of the Ladies room had been carpeted and that the outlogs on the front stairs had been turned over — The Report was received and approved. — They further recommended that a window be shut in the banquet room, and on motion the Committee were empowered to have the same done,

The following report of the Librarian was received.

To The Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

I beg leave to report for the month of August as follows

Amount received for	Initiation fees	36.00
" " "	Dues collected	297.25
" " "	Life memberships	300.00
" " "	old Carpet	30.00
" " from	J. F. Snow, rent	70.00
" " "	Harrolds College Rent	50.00
" " "	Golden Gate Chapter 35.00	
	less Churchwards bill 20.00	15.00
" " "	E Neumann on Ack rent	135.00
" " "	City for rent to Aug 1st	400.00
" " "	Crockett Lodge, rent	35.00
" " "	Golden Gate Lodge "	20.00
" " "	W. S. Badger rent 32.50	
	less share of organ 5.00	27.50
" " "	California Chapter No 4.	30.00
" " "	J. O'Donnell rent	70.00
		$1535.75

Balance August 1st	291.70
Initiation Fees & Dues collected	333.25
Life memberships paid in	300.00
Amount received for old carpet	30.00
" " " Rents	872.50
	$1827.45

Paid R & L Davis, Treasurer		1226.25
" Do Special Deposites		300.00
" Petty Cash 9th Ind. Exhibition	83.50	
" " " Bills for August	59.80	
Cash on hand Sept 1st	157.90	1827.45

There remain due for Rent for the month of August the following. From the City 200.00

" E Neumann 25.00

Thirty Six new regular members have joined the Institute Viz.

H Edward Black	Wm Somers	J B Pilchford
Thomas Armer	Mrs A B. Bordsall	Joseph Maguire
Alanson Folger.	Robert Varney	Albert S Evans
W W Grey	F R. Mead.	S M Lowrie
Miss E. Duff.	W W Andrews	James Moss
H S Wood	Miss M. Valentine	Mrs Louisa Cassin
Geo Pardy	W M Lubery	J F Bernard.
Miss M E Boyle	Miss E L Cornell	L. Jansen Jr.
Dennis L Kelly	D. G. Chisholm.	M J. Hanley.

J K Gibbs Mrs W K Mead
J P Phelan K Rimassi
J A Moulton W J Lowry,
Mrs W P Curtis E B Dyke and A K Wells

Six life memberships have been taken viz.
A Jacobs, W K Vanderslice, D W Gordon,
Irving M. Scott, Alfred Bates and A P Langford
of these W K Vanderslice alone is a new member

The Books added to the Library, number 62
classified as follows — Biography 3. Fiction 34
Science & Art- 13. General Literature 4. Ency=
-clopædia 1 — Poetry 4. History 2

The donations received are, from Archibald Cooper
Facsimile of the 1623 folio Shakespeare — from
Insurance Commissioner, Sixth Annual Report- 1874
Respectfully Submitted
San Francisco, September 1st- 1874. — R. K. Hurlburt- Librarian

The names of the new members were approved
and the remainder of the report was referred
to the Finance Committee.

The Treasurer stated that his report had been made
out but had been left at home, but he would
hand it to the Finance Committee.

A communication was received from Mr
B F Stevens of the U S Despatch Agency, of
London, informing the Librarian of the Mechanics
Institute that he had been requested, by the U S
Legation, to take charge of the complete sets of
British Patent Office Reports, Specifications & Drawings
consisting of Seventy Blue Books, and containing sug=
-gestions, as to modes of binding, etc, also inform=
-ing the Librarian that he proposed to insure the
same, for the value placed on them, by the depart=
=ment as fast as received from the Great Seal Office
In connection with the above the President, stated
that he had requested the Librarian Mr Hurlburt
to write to the Librarian of the Astor Library, and
ascertain from him, Mr Stevens standing and re=

Ency Patent Reports

=sponsibility, he having been referred to by Mr
Stevens, — That an answer had been received
fully confirming the best opinion of Mr Stevens.
The President further stated that, three several
applications had been made to the British Gov=
=ernment for a copy of these Reports; the first
application made four years ago, met with a
peremptory refusal; the second application, made
about two and one half years ago, met with
a courteous but firm refusal also; The last applica=
=tion, backed by the unofficial influence of the
United States Government, and the Legation at
London, resulted according to the letter of Mr
Stevens, in the British Government; awarding to
this Institute, the coveted Volumes, there being
no set nearer than St-Louis, and there being
no possibility that another set could be obtained
for the Pacific Coast: — The Reports included
3000. Volumes, imperial quarto, and would
require 500 running feet of shelf room,
On motion the communication was received
and placed on file, and Messrs. Kalloch
Cornwall and Hayes, were elected a Committee
to correspond with Mr Stevens, and to take
measures in regard to obtaining, binding
and placing in proper place, the above men=
=tioned books,

The Committee on Ways Means and Accounts
reported the following bills as correct viz.

San Franco Gas Light-co for July (Library)			63.12
Spring Valley Water-co " " (")			12.00
Books & Donations			
Dewey & co		10.00	
K Keller & co		5.00	
A Roman & co		6 50	
A L Bancroft & co		43 27	
Payot Upham & co		87.26	
D Knicks & co		34 50	
Librarians Petty Cash		26.55	166.08
do do do			83 25
Salaries	R. K. Hurlburt	175.00	
	G. P Coleman	125.00	
	W K. N. Smith	70.00	370.00
			644.45

On motion, they were ordered spaid by draft on the Treasurer,

On motion, the following gentlemen, were placed in nomination as a committee of five, on Mechanical Drawings viz J M Scott. J W Dickey B P Brunes, W Eppleshemer, R H Savage and W W Ransom, — Messrs Scott, Dickey, Brunes, Eppleshemer & Ransom having received a majority of the votes cast were declared elected,

On motion the following gentlemen were placed in nomination, as a committee of five on Architectural drawings viz. R H Savage, D. Farquharson, Wm Patton, J P Taynor. S H Williams H L Macey, and S H Bugbee,

Messrs Farquharson, Savage Patton, Taynor and Bugbee, having received a majority of the votes cast; were declared duly elected,

On motion the election of the gentlemen, composing both of the above committees was made unanimous, and the corresponding Secretary was requested to inform them of their election

The Chairman of the Committee on Building reported that the Janitor had informed him that he would sleep in the building until the next meeting of the Board, and the matter was laid over until that time —

On motion the Board adjourned.

Daniel E. Hayes
Recording Secretary
Pro Tem,

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees held at the Pavilion Tuesday September 15th 1874

The meeting was called to order by the President

Absent at roll call Mr Curtis & Mr Cornwall.

The following Report of the Committee on Mechanical Drawings, appointed at the last meeting, was received, ordered spread on the minutes, and the

action of the Committee approved.

San Francisco Sept 15th 1874

To the President & Trustees of Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen,

As a committee appointed by you to examine the competitive drawings by apprentices and pupils in the evening schools in this city

We award the medal of Gold and box of drawing instruments, to J H Fork for the best original design of a Compound Steam Engine for a Steam Yacht.

To Mr Robert Anderson for encouragement we would recommend, a certificate of merit for his design of an upright Engine

We award to Mr Robert Moore, the Silver medal, and box of drawing instruments, for the best drawing of an actual machine, from sketches made by himself

We would also recommend, the award of a certificate of merit to Mr James Gillilan for his evidence of study in his drawing of a crane from sketches made by himself

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servants
W W Ransom
W Eppelsheimer
Irving M Scott,

On motion it was ordered that the drawings in some suitable place in the Pavilion

The following Report of the Treasurer was received, and on motion was referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, and accounts and ordered spread on the Minutes,

To the President & Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen,

I herewith present my report of the Receipts and Disbursements for August 1874

Receipts

On a/c	Rent	$72.50
"	" Collections	323 75
"	" Sale of Carpet	30.00
	Total	$1,226.25

Disbursements.

Amount paid.		
A L Bancroft & Co	Books	41.12
W E Loomis	Periodicals etc	205.63
L W Gordon	Printing	34.00
Wentzel & Hartman	Repairing clock	17.-
D Nicks & Co	Binding	164.50
Payot Upham & Co	Books	129.41
A Roman & Co	"	33.13
J & O O Brien & Co	Plumbing	10.00
J & H Hurlburt	Salary for July	175.-
J P Coleman	" " "	125.-
W H H Smith	" " "	70.-
Librarian	Petty Cash	106.25
Water Co	Water for time & July	24.-
Morning Call	Advertising	16.50
Union Insurance Co	Premium	225.-
Union Insurance Co	Interest to Aug 9th	21.66
Sinking Fund.	10 % of Receipts	122.62
Amount due Treasurer as per Report for July		100.83
	Total.	$ 2549.55

Balance due Treasurer to dat. $1323.30

San Francisco August 31 1874

Respectfully submitted

Henry L Davis

Treasurer.

There being no further business. The Board on motion adjourned.

Daniel E Hayes

Secretary pro Tem.

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees held at the Pavilion Monday September 21st 1874

The meeting was called to order by the President.

Absent at roll call, Messrs Spiers. Courtis & Patrick.

The Report of the committee on Architectural Drawings was received and ordered on file

On motion the Gold Medal and box of drawing Instruments, was awarded to J L Nelson Jr for design of a House for a Mechanic

On motion the Silver Medal & drawing

instruments, was awarded to L. W. H. for the best drawing of some existing building and to Owen Buckland a Silver Medal for the best copy of an Architectural drawing

On motion the Board adjourned

Daniel E Hayes

Secretary pro Tem

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees held at the Pavilion Monday September 28th 1874.

Present Messrs Kalkdi. Davis Spiers. Elliot Woodward & Spaulding & Cornwall.

The President read the following Communication from Owen Buckland.

San Francisco Sep 23 1874

To the

Hon. Board of Trustees of Mechanics Institute

Gentlemen

Having noticed in the papers the award of Prizes for Architectural drawings made by your Hon Board, & beg leave to address you a letter on the subject.

It seems that some misapprehension existed as to whether the front elevation of the First Congregational Church was merely a copy of an Architectural drawing taken from the building itself, & be leave to state that my drawing has been made from actual measurements, sketches and from details in the architects possession and that I am not aware of the existence of any similar drawing

I am informed that the original Elevation of the building, which I have not seen, was of a different scale to mine, and was different in many particulars to the work as carried out in the Building

My drawing was made in good faith in accordance with the terms of the advertisement.

Commending the above to your kind consideration I beg to remain Gentlemen

Your obedient Servant

Owen Buckland.

On motion the award of the prizes, made at the meeting held Sept 21st was rescended as to the second and third prizes

On motion the second prize of Silver Medal and drawing Instruments was awarded to Owen Buckland, and the third prize of a Silver medal was awarded to S. W. Ho.

On motion adjourned

Daniel E. Hayes
Recording Secy
pro tem.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
Tuesday Oct. 6th 1874

Meeting called to order by the President — Present at Roll Call Messrs. Hallidie, Davis, Elliot, Cornwall, Spaulding, Macdonald, Woodward, Hayes, Flint & Patrick. — Messrs. Wells, Savage Spiers, & Curtis came in late.

No reports from the Committees on Library Rooms & Building; Book & Donations; and Lectures and Classes.

The Committee on Ways Means & Accounts reported the following Bills approved.

No. 169	Alta	Subscription		$12
" 170	S. F. W. W.	Water for Sept		12
" 171	D. Hicks & Co	Binding		03.00
" 172	Librarian's Petty Cash	Ways. Means & ac		22 85
" 173	D. A. Spaid	Sal. for Sept.		30
" 174	W. H. W. Smith	" " "		70
" 175	H. R. Coleman	" " "		75
" 176	L. P. Coleman	" " "		125
" 177	A. Roman & Co	Books		7.81
" 178	Payot Upham & Co	"		77.08
" 179	A. L. Bancroft & Co	" & c		115.97
" 180	Librarians Petty Cash	Books & Don.		21.55
" 181	W. E. Loomis	Periodicals		214.88

Above Bills being read were ordered paid by Orders on the Treasurer

* Mrs Hayes and Miss Hall added as Secretary pro tem. Dec. 1st 1874

On motion the Action of the President in Employing H. R. Coleman as assistant in the Library was approved.

On Motion the Gas Bills were referred to the Committee on Ways, Means, & Accounts to adjust

Following report of the Librarian for the Month of September was read

To the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I have the honor to lay before you the following Report for the Months of September:

Amount received for Initiation Fees		42.00
" " " dues collected		538.50
" " " rent from J. P. Snow		70.00
" " " " " E. Newman		190.00
" " " do " Heald's Business College		50.00
" " " do " Golden Gate Lodge #40		
Less Bd. Churchward	20	20.00
" " " do do Cal Lodge		35.00
" " " do H. S. Badger	32.50 5	27.50
" " " do Golden Gate Chapter		35.00
" " " do California Chapter		30.00
" " " do City		200.00
" " " do J. O'Donnell		70.00
		1308.00

Balance on hand, Sept 1st		301.20
Amount received for dues & Initiations		580.50
do " rents Collected		727.50
		1609.20
Paid H. L. Davis, Treasurer	$1409.30	
Petty Cash for Sept	54.65	
Balance on hand, Oct 1st	145.25	1609.20

Mr Newman has paid up all arrears & pays of rent to the 1st of October. The City paid the rent of the Court Room to Oct 1st, on the 2nd inst.

R. J. Cushman Mrs G. Winterburn Fr. Schwarze
S. Gulliver Emil Jonhaus Mrs A. E. Sierman
Thos. Filmore J. S. Fitch D. Willatts

Kenneth Melrose A. J. Jeffers F. N. Sheldon
C. L. Chamberlain Mrs E. A. Young Capt. W. P. Martin
L. J. Duffy W. S. Johnson L. Brandt
D. J. Paxson L. D. Honey Sallie R. Hart
Thos. P. Cleny Mrs E. O'Connor A. H. Poole
Miss H. Burns J. J. Davis J. H. Danger
H. K. Carter Mrs E. W. Tyler P. J. Sullivan
C. W. Swift Mrs D. W. C. Story S. C. Hall
P. Hanson S. Reese Thos. Edmonds
H. Martin C. C. Smith Isabel Whitney
R. H. Lucas F. W. Henderson Mrs L. A. Pogue

These forty two new members have joined the Institute,

The volumes added to the Library number 118, viz: Fiction 64, Science & Art 24, Directories 4, History 6, Biography 6, Essays 6, Poetry 3, Travels 4, Catazon 1, Fifteen of these volumes are in French.

I would recommend the purchase of the "Flore des "Serres et des Jardins", an illustrated periodical on all subjects connected with Agriculture and Horticulture. The work is now in its twentieth volume. The subscription price is Eight dollars a year, and the 19 completed volumes would cost One hundred & Forty Dollars.

Donations have been received

from John S. Hittell
"The Resources of California", new Edition

from Payot Upham & Co
"annuaire du commerce de Paris 8 vo 1874

from Brig. Gen. S. V. Benet, Chief of Ordnance
"Ordnance Memoranda, ~~No~~ No 18 on Horse Equipments, Calvalry Equipments etc" 46, 1874

from C. L. Hopkins
"California Wreck Register 1861-66 & 66-67-72

from J. W. Bond, Healdsburg Sonoma Co

"Thoughts on Daniel"	16 mo	1873
"History of Sunday"	16 mo	1873
"The Constitutional Amendment: or The Sunday, The Sabbath, etc"	16 mo	1873
"The State of the Dead"	16 mo	1873
"Thoughts on Revelation"	16 mo	1873

I would call your attention to the need of a hose for washing the sidewalk in front of the Building. If a short pipe were run up from the basement, through one of the front gratings, thirty feet

of hose would be quite sufficient to wash down the street.

All of which is respectfully submitted

S. C. Hurlbut
Librarian

San Francisco Oct 5th 1874

On motion the names of new members contained in foregoing Report were approved, the Corresponding Secretary requested to acknowledge the receipt of the donations mentioned, and the financial portions were referred to the committee on Ways, Means, & Accounts to examine and report.

The purchasing of the Work on Horticulture recommended by the Librarian was referred to the Committee on Books & Donations to examine & Report.

Following Repat of the Treasurer for the Month of September was read and Received and referred to the Committee on Ways, Means & Accounts to examine and Report.

To the President & Board of Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

I herewith present my Report of the Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of September 1874

Receipts

On a/c of Rents		727.50
" " " Collections		681.80
Total		1409.30

Disbursements

Amount paid		
S. C. Hurlbut Salary for Aug.		175.00
E. P. Coleman " " "		125.00
W. H. W. Smith do		70.00
Librarian	Petty Cash	59.80
Payot, Upham	Books	37.26
A. Roman & Co	"	6.50
Bancroft & Co	"	43.27
D. Hicks & Co	Binding	37.50
H. Keller & Co	Dictionary	5.00
Dewey & Co	Rural Press	10.00
Wells & Waker for Aug.		12

Over

Union Ins. Co Int. to Sept 9 41.66
Sinking Fund 10 ℘c of Receipts 140.93
Amt due Treas as per Repat in Aug. 1323.30
Total 2087.22

Balance due Treasurer this date $677.72

San Francisco Sept. 30th 1874
Respectfully Submitted
Henry L. Davis
Treas.

Motion passed that Board go into election for Recording Secretary. Messrs. Hayes & Stout were nominated & on ballot Mr Hayes received 4 votes & W.P. Stout 9 votes. W.P. Stout was elected Recording Secretary.

Motion passed that the matter of prizes for the successful competitive drawings, striking Medals, purchasing drawing instruments etc, be referred to a Committee composed of the President, Vice President and Treasurer.

A Motion passed that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the Payment of Blychés Bill.

Motion passed that the consideration of Plum, Bell & Co's Bill be postponed until next meeting

On Motion adjourned
W. P. Stout
Rec. Sec.

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Rooms of the Institute
October 13th 1874

Meeting called to order by the President

Present ~~at roll call~~ Messrs. Halliday Davis, Wells, Spaulding, Spiers, Stout Patrick & Hayes ayes.

The following communication from Robert Ewing Esq. was read by the Secretary

San Francisco Oct 13/74

"To the Hon. President and Board of Directors of Mechanics' Institute

Gentlemen

"The undersigned proposes to lease for a term of five (5) years "from Jan 1st 1875 to Jan'y 1st 1880, the first "story and basement of Building known "as the Mechanics' Institute East St. "exclusive of entrances required for "use of Institute at a monthly "rental of five hundred dollars "U.S. gold coin payable in advance, "the Lessee to make all alterations at "his own expense, and a further "privilege of five years at a monthly "rental of six hundred dollars in "U.S. gold coin payable in advance. "The Board allowing one months "time for alterations, said alterations "to be made under the supervision "of the Building Committee, and "on the expiration of lease to "allow one half the cost of "Permanent improvements. "The premises to be used for "respectable business purposes "only.

"I have the Honor to be Gentlemen Your Most "Obedient Servant
(signed) Robert Ewing"

The proposition contained in the foregoing letter was referred to the Committee on Library, Rooms & Building to report thereon at the next meeting of the Board

Meeting then adjourned

W. P. Clark

Recording Secty.

Board of Trustees Minutes, 13 December 1869 – 5 October 1874. VOLUME 3. Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco.